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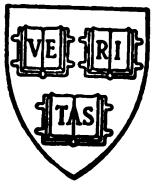

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INTRODUCTION.

THE surname of Brattle is familiar to all who have made a study of the annals of our early colonial times. We know of but three distinct families in New England of the name: the first, that of Captain Thomas Brattle, an account of whose descendants forms the subject of the following pages — the second, that of William Brattle, who seems to have been of Wethersfield, Connecticut, in 1743,* and of whom we know nothing more than is recorded by Hon. R. R. Hinman in the Genealogical Register, xvi. p. 135 — and the third, that of Col. Ebenezer Brattle, who seems to have been alone in Boston, a member of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company in 1786; it is possible that he may have descended from the Connecticut, he certainly did not from the Boston family; how long he remained in this city or where he ended his days, we have not ascertained.

Nor does the name appear to be common in England. It does not occur in Burke, nor in such directories and county lists of the present century as we have had opportunity of examining.

The forefather of the Boston family was, at his death, accounted the wealthiest man in the colony. He occupied positions of honor and trust in the community, and was undoubtedly possessed of superior qualifications as a business man. Two of his sons

* He married Sept. 21, 1743, Mary Wright, and had issue: Sarah, b. July 11, '44; William, b. Aug. 29, '45; Elizabeth, b. Jan. 13, '47; Mary, b. July 25, '48; John, b. Aug. 11, '50; James, b. Nov. 23, '51; Martha, b. Feb. 22, '53; Ann, b. Aug. 15, '55.

were educated at Harvard, and in after years ranked in scientific and intellectual attainments among the very first in the country. Of his four daughters, all formed highly respectable alliances.

Though we have no information concerning the family prior to the coming of Thomas Brattle to New England, it is only reasonable to believe that he was descended from an educated and intelligent line. Only four generations bearing the name have existed here, and it is a notable circumstance that all the male representatives of those four generations were men of remarkable powers and distinguished abilities.

The history of the armorial device, a cut of which precedes this Account, we have been unable to obtain. Whether it was borne by Captain Thomas Brattle or not, is a matter open for conjecture. It was certainly used by at least two of his sons previous to the year 1713. It is described by Gore in his roll of armorial bearings, prepared in the early part of the last century, and possibly owes its existence to his fertile imagination, though we are inclined to think that it is of more ancient derivation. An elaborate specimen of needle work, dated 1742, whereon is emblazoned the combined arms of the Brattle and Saltonstall families, gives for the Brattle crest the armored arm and battle axe, whilst the ancient seal of the Treasurer Brattle, now in the possession of J. P. Gannett, Esq., gives us only the profiled helmet.

THE BRATTLE FAMILY.

FIRST GENERATION.

THOMAS BRATTLE, born about 1624, merchant of Boston in 1656, was a member of the Artillery Company in 1675, captain in the militia, and commander of several expeditions against the hostile Indians. He was one of the founders of the Old South Church; a non-resident Representative for Lancaster in 1671–2, for Concord in 1678–9; one of the Commissioners to King Philip at Taunton in 1671; Selectman of Boston in 1679, and Treasurer of Selectmen in 1680.

He was early and largely interested in the purchase of lands on the Kennebec River. In 1670 he purchased of John Payne an interest in certain iron works, foundry, etc., at Concord, and so far augmented his possessions there by subsequent purchases, that at the time of his death they formed no inconsiderable portion of his estate.*

July 14, 1671, he bought of Kanepatund and Patatucke, Indians, two thousand acres of land "in the wilderness," on the west side of the Merrimac, between the river and Mashapogag pond, on the Chelmsford line, the land having been formerly the property of Cuttah-huno-amuck.

His son Thomas was appointed administrator of his estate April 12, 1683. The first division was made March 13, 1683–4, wherein two eighths of the whole were set off to son Thomas, while Nat.

* Suffolk Deeds, May 13, 1682, there is recorded an indenture of co-partnership with Simon Lynde, of Boston, for the carrying on of these works.

Oliver, John Eyre and Joseph Parsons, in right of their wives, receive for their portion the iron works at Concord, a farm of three hundred acres at Rumney Marsh (Chelsea), eight acres of pasture land near Sentry Hill, Boston, a house and land occupied by John Marion, Jr. near the common or training field, £549.4.7 in debts, and an interest in lands at Narraganset, Queboug and Kennebec. All of his real estate, comprising what was known as "Brattle Close," except a small portion set off to his son William, passed into the possession of his son Thomas. The estate was appraised at £7827.16.10, and, says Savage, was probably the largest in New England.

He was married probably in 1656–7 to Elizabeth, daughter of Captain William and Elizabeth (Coytemore) Tyng. According to Savage she was born Feb. 6, 1638, perhaps in England, but was bapt. here May 23, 1641. She died Nov. 9, 1682, at Boston. The manner of her death is recorded by Bradstreet in his Journal, and by Judge Sewall and Noadiah Russell in their diaries. Sewall's account is as follows: "Thursday, Nov. 9, 1682, Cousin Daniel Quincy* marries Mrs. Anna Shepard† before John Hull, Esq.,‡ Samuel Nowell, Esq., and many persons present, almost Captain Brattle's great hall full, Capt. B. and Mrs. Brattle there for two. Mr. Willard began with prayer—Mr. Thomas Shepard concluded.

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* Daniel Quincy, son of Colonel Edmund Quincy by his wife Joanna, born Feb. 7, 1651, member of the Artillery Company in 1675, a goldsmith by trade, died 1690. He left an only son John, born in 1689, who was the great-grandfather of John Quincy Adams. Edmund, a younger brother of Daniel Quincy, was the ancestor of the distinguished Josiah Quincy, President of Harvard College.

† Anna or Hannah Shepard was a niece of Mrs. Brattle, her parents being Rev. Thomas Shepard, of Charlestown, and Hannah, daughter of William Tyng. The Mr. Thomas Shepard alluded to was her brother, he having but two years before succeeded his father as minister of the church at Charlestown.

‡ John Hull was Master of the Mint of Massachusetts, Treasurer of the State in 1676, and died Sept. 29, 1683. Judge Sewall married his only daughter Hannah, Feb. 14, 1658, and "it is said that when dressed for the wedding and in presence of the guests, her father placed her in his large scales, and piled on the silver shillings in the other until they weighed her down." Judith, the wife of John Hull, was a sister of Col. Edmund Quincy.

As he was praying, cousin Savage, mother Hull, wife and self came in. A good space after, when had eaten cake and drunk wine and beer plentifully, we were called into the great hall to sing. In singing time Mrs. Brattle goes out, being ill; most of the company go away, thinking it a qualm or some fit; but she grows worse, speaks not a word, and so dies away in her chair, I holding her feet, for she had slipped down. At length, out of the kitchen we carry the chair, and her in it, into the wedding hall, and after a while lay the corpse of the dead aunt in the bride's bed; so that now the strangeness and horror of the thing filled the (just now) joyous house with ejulation. The bridegroom and bride lie at Mrs. Airs (Eyre's), son-in-law to the deceased, going away like persons put to flight in battle."

Thomas Brattle died April 5th, 1683, and was buried on the 9th, though Savage prefers that he died July 22, 1683.

His children, all born at Boston, were,

2. Thomas, born and died Sept. 5, 1657.
3. Thomas, b. June 20, 1658.
4. Elizabeth, b. Nov. 30, 1660.
5. William, b. Nov. 22, 1662.
6. Katherine, b. Sept. 26, 1664.
7. Bethiah, b. Dec. 13, 1666.
8. Mary, b. Aug. 10, 1668.
9. Edward, b. Dec. 18, 1670, bapt. at Old South, Dec. 25, 1670.

SECOND GENERATION.

(1) 3. THOMAS BRATTLE, son of Thomas and Elizabeth (Tyng), graduated at Harvard College, one of three in the class of 1676. He was Treasurer of the College from 1693 until his death. In 1699, owing to his liberality in religious views, and non-conformity with the Cambridge platform as laid down by the Mathers, he was excluded from his seat in the Corporation, but was re-instated in 1703. His services as Treasurer were invaluable. Quincy writes of him that "he was distinguished for his knowledge of affairs, and for the zeal and accuracy with which he watched and enlarged the funds of the institution." To his sound judgment no doubt it is to be mainly attributed that in the stead of £1550 personal property and a real estate income of £100 per annum, which was the amount of the College property placed in his hands by his predecessor, his executor in 1715 paid over to his successor nearly £3800 and a real estate income of £280 per annum. He was "distinguished for opulence, activity, and talent, and for the zeal and readiness with which he devoted his time, wealth, and intellectual power to objects of private benevolence and public usefulness." He was eminent for his skill in mathematics, and in the Transactions of the Royal Society at London is a communication entitled "Observatio Eclipsis Lunaris peracta Bostonii Novanglorum, die quinto Aprilis vespere, A.D. 1707, a Tho. Brattle." He was made the recipient of the honor, not often bestowed, of being elected a Fellow of the Royal Society of London. He was one of the founders of the Brattle Street Church in Boston in 1698, his name heading the list of communicants, and Jan. 10 of that year he conveyed to the corporation the land on which the present edifice stands, described in the deed as being a portion of "Brattle Close," near the "town dock," bounded S. 107 ft. by "a way leading from dock to Brattle Street," W. 107 ft. by Brattle Street, N. 97 ft. by Andrew Mariner, and E. 120 ft.

by Edward Brattle. For the welfare of this church he labored zealously until his death, enduring great opposition and enmity in his public and private life from the closer adherents to the popular theology of the day. He seems to have possessed a mind and intellect far above the ordinary. It was in October, 1692, that the public excitement regarding the so called witchcraft was at its height. Many victims had already suffered and more were in prison awaiting the action of Court. At this juncture few had the courage to express themselves in opposition to the general voice. A letter written by him at the time is to be found in the First Series of the Massachusetts Historical Collections, in which he strongly condemns the action of the Judges, and discusses the question with much clearness and candor.

At his father's death he inherited the larger part of his real estate situated in the neighborhood of what is now Brattle Square, a considerable portion of which he sold previous to 1700. The Brattle Street mentioned in the deeds of that time is now Brattle Square; the present Brattle Street was laid out, I believe, after his death, and called Hillier's Lane. The "way leading to the town dock" was that part of the present Brattle Street below the church, and Wing's Lane is now Elm Street. Soon after the land came into his possession he laid out the first Brattle Street, which ran from Wing's Lane probably through the middle of the "Close" or pasture. His brother William's portion was between Wing's Lane and Brattle Street, while Edward obtained by purchase the lot directly in the rear of the present church. His own residence was doubtless in the immediate vicinity, but its exact locality is doubtful.

Thomas Brattle died at Boston, May 18, 1713. I cannot close this brief account without adding the following tribute to his worth, extracted from the diary of Judge Sewall:

"He (Tho. Brattle) was a Gentleman by his Birth and Education of the first order in the country. He had his Education in the afores^{d} (Harvard) College, was admitted to all the hon^{rs} of it,

and arriv[d] at uncommon accomplishm[ts] and was the greatest Master of any that had bin bred in it of some of the faculties which the stud[ts] are there initiated into. His probity and religion was very Conspicuous, and his faithfulness in all his services very peculiar and peculiarly to be acknowledged. He was chosen to the Treasurership of the College, May 8, 1693. Continu[d] in that Post 20 years and ten days. At the last Corporation Meeting, Apr. 7°, last past, the Presid[t] and ffellows of the College presented him with £60 in acknowledgm[t] of his faithful service and extraordinary care of the affairs of the College w[ch] under his prudent managem[t] have bin restored and advanced very considerably. His death has made a breach upon us not to be repaired at present; if we may hope the vacancy can ever be filled it is because *Deo omnia sunt possibilia.*

"21° (May 21st). The College Treasurer was inter'd at Boston *sub monumento Patris, matrisque, atque ex parte (ut aiunt) certiori: senatu, Populoque Academico præeunte fletu.*"

He was never married.

His will was presented for probate at Boston, May 23, 1713, and is as follows:

"In the name of God, Amen—I, Thomas Brattle of Boston, in y[e] County of Suffolk within Her Maj[ts] province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England, Esq[r]., being at this time in bodily health and of a Sound disposing mind, but not knowing how Soon or Sudden my great Change may be, Do make this my last Will & Testament in manner following, that is to say, I first & principally Commit my Soul into y[e] hands of Almighty God my Heavenly Father of whose meer grace and mercy through y[e] Merits of Jesus Christ my Saviour, I hope for y[e] free pardon of all my Sins, & to Obtain Everlasting Blessedness. My body I Commit to y[e] Earth to be decently Interred, & all my dear Relations and friends to y[e] care and blessing of Heaven. And as for such Worldly goods as it has pleased God to bestow upon me who am less than ye least of his mercies, I Will & Dispose thereof in such manner as I judge may be most beneficial as follows—

"Imp^{rs}, my funeral Charges and just debts being paid & discharged wth all Convenient speed, I give and devise unto my brother William Brattle & his heirs forever All those my Messuages or Tenements in or near Brattle Street in this towne: whereof one is in y^{e} present Tenure of Mr. Thomas Clarke, another in y^{e} present tenure of Mr. Richard Draper, & a third of the widows Adkins & Lad, together with y^{e} ps. of ground lying between y^{e} Messuages of y^{e} s^{d} Draper & y^{e} s^{d} Adkins & Lad, on y^{e} South side of Brattle Street aforesaid. Provided allways, & it is my express Will & desire that there be paid annually on y^{e} day of my decease unto my Sister Elisabeth Oliver Two third parts (only in case my Sister Mary Mico shall become a Widow, then to each of them One Third part) of y^{e} clear Incomes of my s^{d} Messuages, and ps. of ground, during their Natural lives.

"Item, I give & bequeath unto my brother Edward Brattle Two hundred pound, to my Sister Elisabeth Oliver Three hundred pound, to my sister Katharine Winthrop Two hundred pound, & in case she shall become a Widow again, One hundred and fifty pound more, & to my Sister Mary Mico Four hundred pound, & in case she shall become a Widow, One hundred pound more. Item, I give & bequeath unto each of my Nephews & Neeces, namely, Elisabeth Keeling, Nathan^{l}, James, Brattle, Peter, Sarah & Mary Oliver, William & Mary Brattle (now Smith) & John, Katharine & Bethiah Eyre, a ring of twenty shillings & Fifty pound in money, & to my brother Joseph Parson Thirty pound.

"Item, I give unto his Excell^{cy} Joseph Dudley, Esq^{r}., & to (my Cousen Dudley) his Lady, unto my Cousen Jonathan Tinge, Esq^{r}. & his wife, & to my Worthy Kinsman Paul Dudley, Esq^{r}. a ring of twenty Shillings; unto my Cousen Willard, Wid^{w} of y^{e} late Rev^{d} M^{r} Sam^{l} Willard dec^{d} five pound, & to my good Kinsman M^{r} Josiah Willard five pound & a ring.

"Item, I give unto my Cousens Cutler & Long of Charlestown fifty shillings apeece, & to y^{e} Rev^{d} M^{r} Simon Bradstreet, Minister there, five pound, & to each of my Cousens, namely Anna Smith,

John Quinsey, Anna Holman, Shepard & Margarett Fiske, & Mercy & Sarah Oliver a ring of twenty shillings. Item, I give unto M^r^ William & Elisabeth Whetcomb & M^rs^ Hannah Davis fourty shillings apeece, to M^rs^ Margaret Davis also fourty shillings & to y^e^ rest of her Sisters twenty Shillings apeece.

"Item, I give unto M^r^ Thomas Clarke, M^r^ John Kilby, M^r^ Richard Draper, M^rs^ Elisabeth Macarty & Henry Newman, Esq^r^ a ring of twenty shillings apeece. Item, I give and bequeath unto Harvard College in Cambridge in New England Two hundred pound to be laid out in a purchase, or otherwise improv'd on very good security toward y^e^ maintenance of Some Master of Arts there and Especially of such a one as is best skill'd in y^e^ Mathematicks & shall by all proper methods endeavour the Improvement thereof, as by reading and teaching y^e^ same, & making Observations & Communicating them to y^e^ Learned abroad, as in some measure I have done, respect & preference being evermore given to such as are or shall be akin by blood unto me above and before all others. Item, I give unto y^e^ Rever^d^ President & each of the Fellows of y^e^ s^d^ College a ring of Twenty shillings, & to the present steward thereof one of fourteen or fifteen. Item, I give & bequeath unto the Rev^d^ M^r^ Benj^n^ Colman the worthy Pastor of y^e^ New Church in Brattle Street a ring of twenty shillings & five pound in mony. Item, I give, dedicate & Devote my Organ to the praise & glory of God in y^e^ s^d^ Church if they shall accept thereof, & within a year after my decease procure a Sober person that can play skilfully thereon with a loud noise; otherwise to y^e^ Church of England in this towne on y^e^ same terms & conditions, & on their Non acceptance* or discontinuance to use it as above^s^d^ unto y^e^ College,

* At a meeting of Brattle Street Church society, July 24, 1713, it was voted "that they did not think it proper to use y^e^ same in y^e^ publick worship of God." On the 3^d^ August, 1713, King's Chapel Society voted to accept the organ, and in the year following they "procured a Sober person" from England, one Mr. Edward Enstone, at a salary of £30 per annum. This was undoubtedly the first organ ever used in public worship in New England.

& on their Nonacceptance or discontinuance as before I give y^e^ same to my Nephew William Brattle. Item, I give a ring of fourteen or fifteen shillings to Sundry of my worthy friends and Kinsmen not herein or otherwise provided for, viz., to each of y^e^ Justices of y^e^ Court of Gen^l^ Sessions of y^e^ peace for this County & each of y^e^ Ministers of y^e^ towne that shall be at my funeral; to ye Sheriff of this County & to Cap^t^ Sam^l^ Keeling, M^r^ Daniel Oliver, M^r^ Nat^l^ Williams Jun^r^, Dr. Oliver Noyes, M^r^ John White, M^r^ Jno. Gore, M^r^ Sam^l^ Gerrish.

"Item, I give & bequeath unto my dear brethren William & Edward Brattle & their wives, unto my dear Sisters Elisabeth Oliver, Katharine Winthrop, & Mary Mico & their husbands, to my brother Joseph Parson & to my dear Nephews & Neeces abovenamed Ten pound apeece toward buying of them mourning. And instead of giving gloves at my funeral My Will is that so many Bills of Credit on y^e^ province as I shall be years old at y^e^ time of my decease, of five shillings value, be distributed among such poor but sober & honest persons in this towne to whom it shall be y^e^ greatest kindness at y^e^ discretion of my three sisters, above named; & that y^e^ like number of y^e^ s^d^ five shilling Bills be given among five or six of y^e^ poorest Ministers of y^e^ Country that shall most need & best deserve y^e^ same, & a half crown Bill to each of y^e^ Students of Harvard College that shall come to my funerall.

"Item, my Will is that all my Legacies not otherways determined be paid in mony or in Bills of credit on this province or in Obligations for mony owing me reduced where there is need to mony after the rate of eight shillings p ounce in twelve months after my decease. Item, all y^e^ rest of my Estate wheresoever or whatsoever remaining after y^e^ p'formance of this my last Will & Testament, I give, devise & bequeath unto my dearly beloved brother M^r^ William Brattle whom I constitute & Ordain y^e^ Sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament, requesting my dear & loving brethren Wait Winthrop, Esq^r^. M^r^ Joseph Parsons & M^r^ Jn^o^ Mico to be assisting him in y^e^ faithful performance thereof,

for w^{ch} & as a token of my love & respect, I give each of y^{m} a ring of twenty shillings & five pound in mony. Finally I Null all former Wills by me ever made, & to this my last Will & Testament have hereunto set my hand & Seale this first day of January, Anno Domini 1712, Annoq R R Annæ nunc magnæ Britanniæ Undecimo. THO. BRATTLE.

"Signed, sealed & Declared by Tho^{s} Brattle to be his last Will & Testament & Attested and Subscribed in y^{e} presence of y^{e} s^{d} Testator by Us Witnesses: Samuel Gerrish, Benjamin Gray, John Edwards. Boston, 23^{d} May, 1713.

"I desire my Bearers may be Elisha Cooke, Sam^{l} Sewall, John Clarke, Add^{t} Davenport, Esq^{rs} & Scholars, Sam^{l} Lynde & Tho Palmer, Esq^{rs}."

(1) 4. ELIZABETH BRATTLE, eldest daughter of Thomas and Elizabeth (Tyng), married, Jan. 3, 1677, Nathaniel, b. Mar. 8, 1652, son of Peter and Sarah (Newgate) Oliver. He, with his brother-in-law, John Eyre, bore the first summons sent to Sir Edmund Andross to surrender when he had withdrawn to the defences on Fort Hill for safety, and after the overthrow of Andross in 1689, was one of the Committee of Safety. He was made freeman in 1690; was one of the early members of the Brattle Street Church by dismission from the Old South. He was a merchant, and at the time of his death in opulent circumstances. His will, signed Mar. 14, 1703–4, was probated May 11, same year. To his wife he gave property to the amount of £1000, to be chosen by her from his whole estate; to his daughter Elizabeth Keeling £100, to make up with that already given her, £500; to son Nathaniel £700, and to Sarah, James, Brattle, Peter and Mary £500 apiece, to be paid them as they came of age or were married. He appointed his wife and children the executors. By the appraisal, property was enumerated to the amount of £5250.7.10, including brick warehouse, brew-house, salt-house, and one fourth of windmill on Fort Hill, goods in warehouses to the amount of £1260, two negro "maids," and his house, stable, etc., in Boston.

He died Apr. 15, 1704. His widow survived him and died in May, 1719. By her will, dated Apr. 16, 1719, she left to her sons 5s. each; to dau. Eliz. Keeling 5s., to dau. Sarah Smith one seventh of the estate, to the children of her dau. Elizabeth one seventh, to granddaughter Mary, the dau. of her son James, one seventh, to dau. Mary the remainder, and appointed her the executrix. The inventory showed property to the amount of £1625.9.6.

The issue of Nathaniel and Elizabeth Oliver were:

10. Elizabeth, b. 1680, mar. Samuel Keeling.
11. Sarah, b. Jan. 7, bapt. Jan. 8, 1681–2, mar. Smith.
12. Nathaniel, bapt. Sept. 28, 1684.
13. Peter, bapt. Dec. 27, 1685, died young.
14. James, b. Oct. 27, bapt. 30, 1687.
15. Brattle, b. June 1, bapt. 2, 1689..
16. Peter, bapt. Oct. 18, 1691.
17. Mary, bapt. Jan. 21, 1693–4, died unmar.
18. William, bapt. Nov. 1, died 13, 1696.

(1) 5. William Brattle, Revd., son of Thomas and Elizabeth (Tyng), graduated at Harvard College in the class of 1680. He was early a tutor at his Alma Mater, a Fellow of the Corporation from 1696 to 1700, when with his brother the Treasurer he was excluded, but reinstated in 1703, and served until his death. At the decease of his brother he took into his own hands, at the earnest solicitation of the Corporation, the labors of the Treasurer, and retained them until a successor was appointed two years afterwards. He received a degree of Bachelor of Divinity Sept. 5, 1692, and, ~~with his~~ brother, was honored by an election to the Royal Society of London.

In 1696 he received an invitation to be settled over the church at Cambridge as its pastor, and was ordained Nov. 25, himself preaching the ordination sermon. At the very commencement of his ministerial life he gave evidence of his intention to cast loose

from some of the established customs of the New England churches, refusing to allow an elder, because he was a layman, to join in the laying on of hands at his ordination. And soon afterwards, through his earnest and unceasing exertions, the church ceased to require a public relation of religious experience as necessary for membership, and so far changed their long established views in these respects, that a public examination of candidates was abolished, and consent to admission to membership was signified by silence. It was owing doubtless to this unusual liberality in theological views that he was excluded from the Corporation in 1700. Although from his position as pastor of the church at Cambridge, he was prevented from taking as active a part in the foundation of the Brattle Street Church in Boston as did the Treasurer Brattle, yet the movement had his eager support and commendation. Like his brother he was a man of large and varied acquirements, a deep scholar and profound thinker—one of the shining lights of his time.

At the death of his father his portion was set off by his brother, the executor, and, as recorded in Suffolk Deeds, consisted of one moiety of farm at Dunstable of about two thousand acres, together with an interest in a house and other lands at the same place, a house and land at Pennyferry, and some salt marsh land near Wormwood's Point, Charlestown, eight acres of land at Menottomys, Charlestown, a tenement and land in Boston, bounded N. by "lane leading from the head of the great dock to house and land of the late William Tailer," W. by Dowse, and S. by pastures of Thomas Brattle. He also received "£100 in books and household stuff," £200 in debts due the estate, £239 in money and plate, and his proportional share in his father's real estate at Narragansct, Queboag and Kenebeck. April 7, 1699, he sold the real estate in Boston described above as lying upon the lane from the great dock, to Robert Hannah. This lane was afterwards called Wing's Lane, and is now Elm Street. At the time of the division of his father's estate this land was conveyed to him with certain reserva-

tions, one being that a strip fourteen feet in width from the westerly side should be given up for a public passage from Brattle Close to Wing's Lane. The passage formed a portion of Brattle Street as first laid out, and in its present widened and enlarged form is known to us as Brattle Square. Whether the whole of his portion of his father's estate was conveyed by Wm. Brattle in the deed to Hannah, does not satisfactorily appear. There was probably other property remaining to him there, for in 1730, his son, the General, conveyed land and stone warehouse on Brattle Street and Dock Square, to David Colson.

Shortly after William Brattle's removal to Cambridge he purchased of James Wilson, under date of March, 1694, "three score acres" with a house in that town, bounded S. W. by John Hows, S. by highway between the sixth and seventh divisions, N. W. by highway between seventh and eighth divisions, and N. E. by John Marrett.

Nov. 7, 1707, he bought of David Deming seven acres in Cambridge with house thereon, bounded N. W. by land of Andrew Belcher, S. W. by Nicholas Fessenden, S. E. by the same and partly "by common land called the spring," and N. E. partly by the highway to Watertown (now Brattle Street). Nov. 19, 1707, he sold the house and about three-fourth acres of this land to Andrew Boardman, the College Steward, and after passing through different hands, it was finally, in 1726, purchased by the General, and added once more to the original estate. The spring was in after days enclosed by a low brick arch, and twenty-five years ago was much resorted to by the neighborhood for its excellent water. The overflow from the spring served to supply a pond, dug or at any rate enlarged by the Brattles. The pond was filled up a few years ago, soon after the erection of that architectural monstrosity which rears its front in the once famous garden of the loyal General, dignified by the name of the "Brattle House," and now occupied by the University Press.

An old account book of his, yet in existence, which contains

many memoranda on a variety of subjects, gives us a few hints of his private thoughts and deeds. Under the date of 1715, we find these words written: "I can't but look upon myself as a standing instance of y^e^ infinite Power & infinite goodness of G^d^. While I consider my unexpressible emptiness & insufficiencys my heart can't but admire & adore the Power of G^d^ & y^e^ Goodness of G^d^ in helping me thrû y^e^ duties & difficulties w^ch^ in his Providence He has call'd me to. O Lord to thy Name be y^e^ Praise; O Lord, my hope is in thee; Lord keep me forever Humble. Amen, Amen. W. Brattle."

In another place he writes—

"My Son W. Br. 1. Apply thyself to G^d^ by fervent prayer, particularly for the breathings of his holy Spirit into thy Soul.

2. Attend w^th^ all diligence upon y^e^ publick institutions of God.

3. Accept humbly y^e^ Reproof of thy sins, especially from thy teachers.

4. Defer not y^e^ performance of any of y^e^ duties of Religion till hereafter, but address thyself thereto NOW; Today while it is called &c.

5. Be much in y^e^ confession of thy sins, I mean to G^d^ in secret; Not y^t^ he needs to be inform'd of thy sins; For if our own hearts condemn us G^d^ is greater than our hearts & knows all things; But for y^e^ advantages hereafter nam'd w^ch^ will accrue to thyself.

Let these thy confessions be frequent w^th^ great indignation ag^t^ thy sins, & ag^t^ thyself by reason of thy sins:

This will be of advantage.

1. To affect thy^f^, 1. With y^e^ great evil & bitterness of sin; 2. With y^e^ great love & patience of G^d^.

2. To deter thee from repeating thy transgressions; & so to cause thee to relinquish y^m^; For these thy confessions will remain on file in y^e^ Court of heaven.

Keep thyself in y^e^ love of G^d^, Amen.

July 13, 1709: W^m^ Brattle."

William Brattle probably passed his days in Cambridge in the old parsonage which was torn down in 1843. It stood upon the rising ground at the south-easterly corner of the College enclosure, facing Harvard Street and adjoining the westerly line of the estate now occupied by Andrew Peabody, D.D. He was married at Boston, Nov. 3, 1697, to Elizabeth,* daughter of Nathaniel Hayman, of Charlestown. She was admitted a member of the church at Cambridge, April 10, 1698, and died July 28, 1715, in the thirty-ninth year of her age, having borne two sons. According to the Genealogical Register, xv. 106, he took a second wife, Elizabeth, daughter of Joseph and Ann (Waldron) Gerrish, of Wenham, widow of Joseph Green, H. C. 1695, minister of Danvers. She was b. Oct. 9, 1673, mar. Green, March 16, 1698–9; he died Nov. 26, 1715, and she died at Medford, May 22, 1747.

William Brattle's will was dated June 21, 1716, nearly a year after his first wife's death. It contains no mention of a second wife. His own death followed, Feb. 15, 1716–17, so that this marriage must have taken place between these latter dates, and in any event it is singular at least that the second wife is named neither in will or codicil.

His will, recorded at Middlesex Probate, is as follows:—

"In the Name of God, Amen, I William Brattle, of Cambridge in New England, Clerk, Do make this my last Will. I Commend my Soul to y^e^ Mercy of God thrû Jesus Christ, my Blessed Redeemer. My Body I Commit to y^e^ Earth in Hope of a Glorious Resurrection. As to my Beloved Flock, my dear Child & all my dear Relations & Christian Neighbors everywhere I Commend them humbly to the Peace of God which passeth all Understanding. And as to y^e^ Temporal Estate with w^ch^ it has pleased God

* Feb. 21, 1707–8, her husband sent to England for "a modest silk w^th^ Trimmings, Suitable for a Minister's wife of a Middle Stature; Enuff for a gown & Petticoat, & 1 y^rd^ & ½ of y^e^ silk more; ab^t^ 6^th^ p. y^rd^; also a dress & sleeves; y^e^ rest of y^e^ mony to be laid out in black sowing silk, stiff and Fine pins."

from free goodness to favour me, I do in y^e^ fear of God & with an eye (I trust) at his Glory Dispose of it after this manner.

" I give to my Brother & Sisters Two hundred pounds; That is to say, to my Brother Edward Brattle fourty pounds; to my Sister Oliver fourty pounds; to my Sister Winthrop fourty pounds; to my Sister Mico fourty pounds & to my brother Parson fourty pounds.

" I Give to y^e^ Rev^d^ President & Fellows of Harvard Colledg in Cambridg in N. E., to be paid into the Colledg Treasury for y^e^ Use of said Colledg Two hundred and fifty pounds with this Proviso & in Expectation & Confidence, That said President & Fellows and whoever shall preceed or Come in their stead and room, For y^e^ Improvement & Use of said money, Do, Will & Shall take effectual care forever That fifteen pounds Annually be dispos'd of to One or More of y^e^ Students at y^e^ discretion & pleasure of said President & Fellows, Unless said Student or Students be Nominated & Appointed by some of my Kindred Related to me by blood.

"I Give to Each of my Executours as a token of my Respects & Thankfulness ten pounds. I give to Elizabeth Hicks thirty Pounds, & to Ruth Hicks I give Eight pounds & fourty shillings more in petty things besides what my Executours shall allow to each of them for Mourning which I would have to be considered as deep mourning & accordingly allowance to be made to them. Furthermore, I Give to Elizabeth Hicks one of my Cows which she pleases, & one good load of English Hay. Also I give to her the Bed in the boyes Chamber with y^e^ Red Curtains used therewith, also I Give to her One of my Iron Mortars & a Pestle: my small bell mettall Skillett & my three pint brass Skillett, also fourty shillings in Petty things as she desires; the whole I Give to said Elizabeth Hicks as a thankful Acknowledgment of her great care of me, tenderness toward me & her Faithfull Service all y^e^ time she has lived with me.

" I Give twenty shillings apeice for a Memorial Ring to Mad^m^ Leverett, to Mad^m^ Foxcroft, to Mad^m^ Goffe, to Mad^m^ Phips, to

Mad^{m} Remington, to my Cousin Mercy Oliver, & to my Cousin Sarah Wendell; also to Henry Newman Esq^{r}, & Jeremiah Dunmer Esq^{r}, my trusty friends now in England, & I wish I could give y^{e} like sum for a Memorial Ring to all my good friends in N. Engl^{d}, but I know not where to end if once I should begin this article, instead thereof I entreat y^{m} to accept the Best of my good Wishes.

"I Give to the Rev^{d} President of Harvard Colledg, my Old Acquaintance & Constant Friend Mr. John Leverett, Five & twenty pounds. I Give to y^{e} Rev^{d} M^{r} Nathaniel Gookin twenty pounds & to his Sister my Cousin Hannah Carter I give fourty pounds. I give to Colonell Foxcroft ten pounds. I Give to the Rev^{d} M^{r} Nathaniel Williams of Boston five pounds. I give to Mr. Nicholas Fesinden, Schoolmaster in Cambridg, ten pounds. I Give to the Rev^{d} M^{r} Israel Loring twenty pounds. I Give to the Rev^{d} M^{r} Simon Bradstreet ten pounds. Also I Give to several other Rev^{d} Ministers, viz. To M^{r} Daniel Gookin, to M^{r} Samuel Angier, to M^{r} John Rogers, to M^{r} Rowland Cotton, to M^{r} John Hancock, to M^{r} Jabez Fitch, & to M^{r} Thomas Symms five pounds each. Also I give to the Rev^{d} M^{r} Jeremiah Hobart of Hadham, & to the Rev^{d} M^{r} James Sherman three pounds each. Also I give to my Cousin Mary Weld fifty shillings, & to M^{r} Andrew Boardman for y^{e} use of my Cousin Weld's son Habijah in case he comes to Colledg to be laid out & paid at the discretion of said Boardman for y^{e} aforesaid Use ten pounds. I Give to Mrs. Ruth Chamney & in case she be dead to her daughter Hunting five pounds. I Give to my Sisters in Boston twenty pounds to be dispos'd of by them to five or six needy persons in Boston. I give to the Widow Stacye five pounds. I give to Father Hasting, to Father Collis, to Daniel Hasting, to Andrew Wilson, to John Hasting Jun^{r}, To ye Widow Hasting, to Edward Barritt, to y^{e} Widow Patten, to y^{e} Wife of Henry Prentice & to y^{e} Widow King fourty shillings to each of y^{m}. I give to ye Wife of John Prentice thirty shillings; to Goody Lasore thirty shillings; to Goody Lewis twenty shillings & to

Hannah Daniel ten shillings. I give to the Rev^{d} Mr. Marsh, of Brantrey, for four years fourty shillings p annum, for the helping to defray y^{e} charges of Shepard Fisk while an Undergraduate at Colledg. I give to old Mr. Fesinden for his son Benjamin, when he shall come to take his first degree fifty shillings.

"Furthermore it is my Will as to severall petty things which shall be left when my family breaks up, Viz. the Corn, meal, flower, malt, Sugar, Salt, Salt fish, Honey, Molasses & Candles, as also the Wood in the yard, the tubbs, empty barrells & other Casque, as also this countrey earthen ware & old common chairs, as also my Ordinary & common wearing apparell, I say it is my Will as to these petty things that they shall be dispos'd of & given to such my Christian neighbors & friends & poor people as my Executors with Mad^{m} Leverett shall think proper, Sister Loving, Cousin Carter, & Elizabeth Hicks to be remembered & considered by them.

"It is likewise my Will that the Elixirs, Balsoms, Pills, Conserves, Electuaries, physical powders & all the other drugs which I leave at my death, as also y^{e} Physical books w^{ch} Doct^{r} Oliver left me at his death & are now in y^{e} Chest in our Garrett be divided between my Cousin Mercy Oliver & my Cousin Sarah Wendell, who I doubt not will be ready to pleasure Elizabeth Hicks with such a part of y^{e} Elixirs & other drugs as her occasions may call for.

"Furthermore it is my Will that my Cousin Mercy Oliver & my Cousin Sarah Wendell have ten pounds apiece paid to them by my Executors for the putting themselves into mourning at my decease.

"Also it is my Will, that all Christian Ministers & Preachers of what denomination & persuasion so ever: As also all Counsellours, Schoolmasters, Scholars, & Special acquaintance of mine that are Present at my Funeral shall have Gloves given to them. Also it is my Will that the Resident Fellows & Tutours of the Colledg have Scarves & Rings given to them with Gloves at my

Funeral. Also that y^e^ Preachers Resident at Colledg together w^th^ y^e^ non Resident Fellows of y^e^ Corporation shall have Scarves with their Gloves. And further it is my Will that y^e^ Rev^d^ Doct^r^ Increase Mather, whether Present or absent shall be Remembered by my Executors, & have a Scarfe with Gloves given to him. Furthermore, I Give to my brother Edward Brattle, his heirs & assigns for ever my Interest at Kennebeck & in y^e^ Naragansetts & at Quenebaog.

"As a Close to this Part of my Will, It is my desire to Consecrate & with humility I Bequeath & Present to the Church of Christ in Cambridg (my dearly Beloved Flock) for a Baptismal Basin, my great Silver Basin, an Inscription upon which I leave to the Prudence of y^e^ Rev^d^ President, & the Rev^d^ Mr. Simon Bradstreet.* And thus having dispos'd of some Part of my Estate to Pious & Charitable Uses w^ch^ I can by no means think to be a matter of Indifference, but account a Christian duty, without which I fear I should neither Honour my Profession, nor please God, I say having made the foregoing disposalls, I desire with God's allowance and permission to Bequeath, & accordingly I do Bequeath, Will & Give y^e^ whole remainder of my Estate Real & Personal to my Dear Son William Brattle & to his heires forever. And as to the Annual Profits, Produce or Incomes of my Estate, whether Real or Personal, My Will is that it be made Principal by my Executors & put under y^e^ safest and best improvement For y^e^ after Use, Benefit & Behoofe of my aforesaid dear Son. Said Executors I appoint Guardians to my Son in his Minority.

"And in case it shall please the Soverain God, in whose hands are all our times, to take away my dear Son by death Before he comes to the Age of One & twenty years, My Will then is as to my Personal Estate, That it be thus dispos'd of:

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* The inscription placed upon the basin was this: "This Baptismal Basin was Consecrat^d^ Bequeath'd & presented to the Church of Christ in Cambridge, his Dearly Beloved Flock, by the Rev^d^ W^m^ Brattle Past^r^ of the s^d^ Church who was translated from his Charge to his Crown Feb. 15^o^, 1716-17."

"I Give to the Rev^{d} President & Fellows of Harvard Colledg afore mention'd to be paid into y^{e} Colledg Treasury for y^{e} Use of said Colledg Two hundred & fifty pound in y^{e} same confidence & wth the same Purpose & Proviso that are before mention'd in this my Will with respect to my former Legacye to said Colledg.

"Item, I Give to the Rev^{d} Mr. Simon Bradstreet & to y^{e} Rev^{d} Mr. Nathan^{l} Gookin ten pounds Each. I give to my Cousin Hannah Carter twenty pounds. To Colonell Foxcroft ten pounds; To Elizabeth Hicks ten pounds & to Ruth Hicks five pounds. Also I give to y^{e} Rev^{d} M^{r} Israel Loring ten pounds. To M^{r} Fesinden, schoolmaster, five pounds. To M^{r} Andrew Boardman I give fifteen pounds for y^{e} use & comfort of a few such persons in y^{e} Town as He wth y^{e} Approbation of Mr. Leverett & one of the Deacons shall think proper persons.

"Furthermore I Give to my Bro. Edw^{d} Brattle, to my Sister Oliver, to my Sister Winthrop, to my Sister Mico & to my brother Parson two hundred pounds to each of y^{m}. And as to y^{e} remainder of my Personal Estate, My Will is, that it be divided into five equal parts, & full Confidence I put in my Execut^{s}, That whatever they Being Under Oath do assert & declare as y^{y} can judg to be the whole remainder shall be Esteem'd & Submitted to as such by all those my Relations & Legatees as may come to be concern'd therewith. And my Will is, That this Remainder being divided into five equal shares or parts, My Bro. Edw^{d} Brattle shall have one Share or part; My Sister Oliver another share & if she then be dead, her share to be equally divided Among her surviving children; That my Sister Winthrop's three children, viz. John Eyre, Katharine Jeffryes & Bethiah Walley shall have another share or part equally divided among them, Only in case my Sister Winthrop at that time be a widow she shall have said share wholly herself. That my Sister Mico shall have another share or part, & that y^{e} Executors of this my last Will shall have y^{e} Remaining fifth share or part equally among them.

"And as to my Real Estate, Supposing y^{e} death of my dear Son

as is before express'd, My Will then is, that what is not before Will'd away, be thus dispos'd of.

"I Give to my brother Edward Brattle & to his heires for ever My House & Land at Charlestown, Called Pennyferry house & land. Also I give to said Brother Brattle my whole Interest in y^e^ Equivalent Land, lately purchas'd, being $\frac{1}{16}$ part to him & the heires of his Body Lawfully begotten; & if my Brother does not leave issue y^t^ shall live to y^e^ age of One & twenty years, I then give said Interest to my Kinsman John Eyre & the lawful heires of his Body. And if my said Kinsman shall not leave issue y^t^ shall live to the Age of One & twenty years, I then Give the said Equivalent Lands to my Kinswoman Katharine Jeffryes & her heires forever. Also I give to my brother Edw^d^ Brattle my interest in the long Wharves in Boston.

"Furthermore, I give to my Sister Oliver during her natural life the Stone house & Land thereto belonging, now lett to Mr. John Smith; & in case she be dead, or upon her decease, My Will is that said house & land shall go to her seven Children, & to my brother Edw^d^ Brattle & to my sister Winthrop's three children, to them & their heires for ever, to be divided among them in equal shares. I give to my Sister Winthrop's three children in equal shares & to their heires for ever the Land which is now lett to Doct^r^ Boylston; only in case my Sister Winthrop at that time be a Widow, then my Will is that y^e^ whole rent thereof shall go to herself during her natural life. Item, I give the land leased to M^r^ Draper to my Cousin John Eyre & to his heires for ever, said John Eyre paying one hundred pound to sister Mico, if then living. Also I Give to my sister Mico & to her heires for ever All my lands Lying & Being in the Town of Cambridg; Hoping & trusting My private Instructions will be Regarded with respect to said Cambridg lands, when they shall come to be sold by my heires. Furthermore, It is my Will that all my Legacies, not otherwise determin'd as to Time, or Species, be paid within Eighteen months after my decease, Either in mony,

or in Province Bills of Credit, or in silver mony at the value then passing with y^e^ merch^t^, or in Obligations for mony due to me, Reduced where need is to Province Bills of Credit, or silver mony as before express'd; Only as to such a part of my Legacies as are small legacies, I mean such as do not exceed fourty pounds a Legacye, They all shall be paid within six months after my decease. PROVIDED notwithstanding, & after all my Will is That in case of any very considerable Devestation & Diminution of my Estate by Fire, Insolvencies or any Casualty whatsoever before the Legacies above mention'd come to be Payable, then the said unpaid Legacies All of them Excepting those two hundred & fifty pounds last Will'd to y^e^ Colledg, & such small Legacies as my Executors shall see meet to Except, shall first be Averag'd & abatement made on them in their Respective Proportions to y^e^ damage Sustain'd by my Estate According to y^e^ Discretion of my Executors with y^e^ allowance of y^e^ Judg of Probates.

"And now Under my Bodily infirmities w^ch^ make much thinking & writing a great difficulty to me, being thrû y^e^ assistance of God carried thrû this other part of my Will The Executive Power is what Remains to be taken care of, & with Respect thereto, I hope Agreeably to God, I have thought with myself & determin'd, And Accordingly Do now Constitute & Ordain my loveing Brother M^r^ Joseph Parson, & my Trusty Friends M^r^ Jacob Wendell & M^r^ Andrew Bordman the Executors of this my last Will & Testament. In witness to which & to all the Above-mention'd in y^e^ Sheet of Paper, still Hoping in God for his acceptance, & for his Favourable smiles upon this Concern of mine in Particular, I do to these Presents set my Hand & Seal. Dated in Cambridg this One & Twentieth day of June, in the year of our Lord One Thousand seven hundred & sixteen, Anoq Rns Regis Magnæ Britanniæ & Georgii Secundo. WILLIAM BRATTLE. [SEAL.]

"Signed, Sealed & Declared by William Brattle to be his last Will & Testament in presence of William Barrett, Jur., Elizabeth Hicks, Ruth Hicks, Jr."

He sleeps in his tomb in the old burying ground at Cambridge, surrounded by the graves of those to whom he had so faithfully preached God's Word, and for whose good he had so long and so heartily labored. Upon the slab over his ashes is engraved this inscription :—

Depositum
Gulielmi Brattle
nuper Ecclesiæ Cantabrigiensis
N. A. Pastoris Rev^di. Senatus Collegii
Harvardini Socii Primarii
Ejusdemque Curatoris Spectatissimi
Et R. S. S. qui obiit xv^o Febr^ii,
Anno Domini MDCCXVII et Ætatis
Suæ LV. Hic requiescit in spe
Beatæ Resurrectionis.

The only issue of Rev. William & Elizabeth Brattle were:

19. Thomas, who died in early childhood.
20. William, b. April 18, 1706, the only descendant in the male line of his grandfather Capt. Thomas Brattle.

(1) 6. KATHERINE BRATTLE, daughter of Thomas and Elizabeth (Tyng), married May 20, 1680, Hon. John Eyre, of Boston, merchant.

He was born Feb. 19, 1653–4, in Boston, youngest son of Simon Eyre, of Watertown. He was a member of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company in 1682, one of the Committee of Safety in 1689, and Representative in 1693, '6, '8 and '9. He was one of the thirteen signers of the first summons which was sent to Andross to surrender after his withdrawal to the fort on Fort Hill, and in company with his brother-in-law Nathaniel Oliver, bore the summons in person to Andross. His residence was in Prison Lane, now Court Street. He was admitted a member of the Old South Church, March 23, 1683. He died in Boston, June

17, 1700, his will bearing the same date. By it his wife was made executrix and was to receive £1000. To his two children (the only ones then surviving) he left £1000 each, and a like sum to one unborn, and in case the latter should be a son, he was to receive in addition the house and land in Boston. To his niece Martha Ruggles, wife of John, mariner of Boston, he gave £100, and the residue of the estate was to be equally divided between wife and children. The inventory makes the estate to be valued at £6078.18.0.

His wife Katharine bore him issue as follows:—

21. John, b. March 27, 1682, died young.
22. Katherine, b. Dec. 10, 1683, died young.
23. Thomas, bapt. Nov. 8, 1685, died young.
24. Thomas, b. June 21, bapt. June 26, 1687, d. young.
25. Martha, b. Jan. 28, bapt. Feb. 3, 1688–9, d. young.
26. Simon, bapt. Aug. 30, 1691, d. young.
27. Elizabeth, bapt. Sept. 11, 1692, d. young.
28. Katherine, b. July 20, bapt. July 22, 1694, married 1st, David Jeffries, and 2d, Oliver Noyes.
29. Bethiah, b. July 24, bapt. July 28, 1695, married Hon. John Walley.
30. Mary, b. Sept. 15, bapt. Sept. 19, 1697, d. young.
31. John, b. Jan. 17, bapt. Jan. 22, 1698–9, d. young.
32. John, b. Aug. 7, bapt. Aug. 11, 1700 (posthum.)

Of this large family only three lived to maturity, the rest dying in early childhood.

A widow seven years, Mrs. Eyre married, Nov. 13, 1707, Wait-Still Winthrop.* He died Nov. 7, 1717, having had no issue by this marriage.

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* WAIT-STILL WINTHROP was born at Boston, Feb. 27, 1642, son of JOHN, and grandson of Governor JOHN WINTHROP.

Governor JOHN WINTHROP was born in Groton, Suffolk, England, January 12, 1588, son of ADAM WINTHROP. He landed at Salem, New England, June 12, 1630;

Mrs. Katherine (Brattle) Winthrop died at Boston, Aug. 5, 1725, at the age of nearly sixty-one years.

Her will, executed May 27, 1725, left to Rev. Joseph Sewall and Rev. Thomas Prince £5 each, to sister Mico £10, to brother-in-law Parsons, children of Nathaniel Oliver, and nephew William Brattle, a gold ring each; to grandson John Eyre, grandson David Jeffries, £50 each; grandson John Walley £10, grandson Oliver Noyes $10, grand daughters Katherine, Sarah and Bethiah Walley, each £10; son John Eyre, some silver plate; daughter Katherine Noyes, plate; daughter Anne, wife of son John, clothing; the residue to be divided between the three children.

(1) 7. BETHIAH BRATTLE, third daughter of Thomas and Elizabeth (Tyng), married Joseph Parsons of Boston, merchant. He was an advocate for the overthrow of Andross in 1689, made freeman in March, 1690. She died at Boston, July 4, 1690, of small pox, their last child having died of the same disease ten days before. Her issue were:

33. Joseph, bapt. July 27, 1684, d. young.
34. William, b. Dec. 29, 1685, bapt. Jan. 2, 1685–6, d. young.

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was governor of the colony for twelve years, and died March 26, 1649. His residence in Boston was afterwards occupied by the Rev. Thomas Prince, and stood upon the ground now covered by the Old South Church. He was four times married. His first wife, whom he married April 16, 1605, was Mary, daughter of John Forth.

The eldest son, JOHN, was born at Groton, Eng., Feb. 12, 1606, and was educated at Cambridge, and Trinity College, Dublin. He came to this country in 1631; was governor of Conn. fourteen years; one of the founders of the Royal Society of London, and died at Boston, April 7, 1676. He was twice married. His second wife was Elizabeth, daughter of Hugh Peters, by whom he had seven children. WAIT-STILL, the third, who derived his name from the marriage of his great-grandfather, Adam, with the family of Still, removed from Connecticut to Boston, and with his brother Fitz-John, was made counsellor to Andross, although afterwards, at the popular uprising against that usurper, he was found in the discontented party. During the latter years of his life he was Chief Justice of the Superior Court of Massachusetts. His first wife was Mary, daughter of Hon. William Browne, of Salem. At his death he left a son, John, who graduated at Harvard in 1700, and a daughter, Ann, who married Thomas Lechmere, surveyor of the customs in Boston.

35. Bethiah, b. Jan. 1, 1686–7, bapt. next day, d. young.

36. Thomas, b. Aug. 11, 1689, bapt. same day, d. young.

The second son, William, then being the "only child," d. June 24, 1690.

Of Joseph Parsons, the father, after the death of the last of his family, we know nothing further except that he was living in 1720, and was held in esteem and affection by the brothers of his wife, each of whom bequeathed property to him in their wills.

(1) 8. MARY BRATTLE, youngest daughter of Thomas and Elizabeth (Tyng), married August 20, 1689, John Mico, a wealthy merchant of Boston. He died Oct. and was buried Oct. 18, 1718, intestate, administration being granted to his widow who survived him until Dec. 22, 1733, without issue.

She was admitted to Brattle Street Church, Feb. 4, 1700.

(1) 9. EDWARD BRATTLE, youngest son of Thomas and Elizabeth (Tyng), married March 23, 1692–3, Mary Legg, of Marblehead.

Dec. 10, 1695, his brother Thomas conveyed to them (he then "merchant of Boston"), that estate now directly in the rear of the lot occupied by the Church on Brattle Street. It was then described as being bounded in front S. W. on highway from the Dock to Brattle Street 60 ft., S. E. on land of Dr. Macarty 145 ft., N. E. on land of John Wing 35 ft., and N. W. on Brattle Close 130 ft. This land he conveyed Jan. 29, 1712, to his son-in-law Smith. He was a captain of the militia, and member of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company in 1694. The last years of his life were passed at Marblehead, where he possessed considerable real estate, and where he acquired a high reputation as a successful and enterprising merchant. His first recorded purchase of real estate there, was July 28, 1716. Much of his landed property there was sold by his widow after his death. He died at Marblehead sometime between Feb. 5 and Oct. 22, 1719. His wife

survived him, but the date of her death is unknown to me. Their issue were:

37. Mary, who married, March 20, 1712, James Smith, merchant of Boston, and probably died without issue before her father, as he does not name her or any child of hers in his will.

38. Thomas, b. Sept. 17, 1695, bapt. at Old South Sept. 20, 1696, died young.

The will of Edward Brattle on record in Essex Probate is as follows:—

"In the Name of God, Amen. I, Edward Brattle of Marblehead in New England, merchant, being Sick & not Knowing how Soon It may please God to take me out of this world, yet all this time thro' mercy of sound judgment & mind doe make this my last Will and testament. I commend my Soul to y^e^ mercy of God thro' Jesus Christ my Blessed Redeemer, my Body I committ to ye Earth in hopes of a Glorious Resurrection, and as to the Estate which it hath pleased God from his goodness to favor me with I doe dispose of in after this manner, first y^t^ my just debts and funeral charges be paid with all convenient speed.

"I give to my sisters Eliz^a^ Oliver, Katharine Winthrop, & Mary Mico ten pound to each of them to be pay^d^ them by my Exe^r^ att my decease for y^e^ putting themselves in mourning. I give to my nephew William Brattle ten pounds for a suite of mourning. I give to my son-in-law Mr. James Smith twenty pounds for a Suit of mourning. I will y^t^ att my Death a true Inventory to be taken of all my Estate Real & personall by three good men under oath, and y^t^ all my interest in vessels, horses and land & house lots, goods in my Shopp & ware house reserving what house hold goods my wife has a mind to keep and land hereafter mentioned to my nephew W^m^ Brattle. I say that all Real be by my Exec^r^ sold for ye most they can gett and y^t^ ye money with what moneys I have by me att my Death be by my Exec^r^ put out att interest on good security as they shall think proper and ye yearly income thereof as also such part of my household goods as my wife

desires to Keep be allowed unto my Loving wife Mary Brattle During her Natural Life, she giving Bond & Surety y^t^ ye household goods she Keepe at her death shall be made over to such of my Exec^s^ as shall then be alive, or in case of their death to my heirs hereafter mentioned, and at the Death of my wife my will is that my Executors dispose of my estate as followeth :—

"Item, I give unto my Son in Law Mr. James Smith fifty pounds money then Currant with the Merchants.

"Item, I give to ye Rev^d^ Mr. Edward Holyoke ten pounds. Item, I give to ye Rev^d^ Mr. Saml. Cheever five pounds. Item, I give to ye Rev^d^ Mr. John Barnard five pounds. Item, I give to my neighbor Mr. Saml. Russell ten pounds.

"Item, I give to my Kinsman & particular friend Mr. Jacob Wendell of Boston, merch^t^ one of my executors one pound. In case of his death to his children by my cousin Sarah Wendell* his wife.

"Item, I give to my nephew William Brattle & his heirs forever all my interest in lands att Kennebeck, Quaboag & in ye Narragansetts, & one hundred pounds in Money. Item, I will y^t^ ye whole remaining part of my estate wherever it may be found be divided into three equal parts or shares, and y^t^ my sister Eliz^a^ Oliver have one share or part thereof, and in case she be dead, said share to be equally divided among her Surviving children — and that my sister Katharine Winthrop shall have another share or part, and in case she be dead her said share or part to be equally divided between her three children. That my sister Mary Mico shall have ye other share or part & in case she be dead at y^t^ time I give and will y^t^ said share or part to my dear Kinswoman Eliz^a^ Keeling, the interest y^e^of during her naturall life, & att my death I will y^t^ ye principall be divided among ye children lawfully begotten of her Body. Having thus disposed of my estate agreeable to my own mind the executive power is what remains to be taken care

* She was daughter of Dr. James Oliver, of Cambridge.

of, and with respect thereto I have thought fitt with myself & accordingly doe now constitute & appoint my Loving wife Mary Brattle & my trusty friends Mr. Jacob Wendell merchant, & Mr. Sam Russell of Marblehead Executors of this my last will & Testament, thereby revoking & annulling all former Wills by me made & Executed. In witness to which & every forementioned in this sheet of paper, I do by these presents set to my hand & seal the fifth day of february ye year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred eighteen and nineteen, and in the fifty year of ye Reign of our Sovereign Lord King George &c.

EDWARD BRATTLE."

THIRD GENERATION.

(5) 20. WILLIAM BRATTLE, son of Revd. William and Elizabeth (Hayman), was baptized by his father at Cambridge, April 21, 1706. He graduated at Harvard College in the class of 1722, being then in his seventeenth year. Prior to the year 1773, names of graduates in the Triennial are arranged according to the social positions occupied by their respective families. In the list of 1722, the name of William Brattle has the prëeminence—followed by those of Edmund Quincy, William Vaughan and Richard Saltonstall.

He became a member of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company in the year 1729, and in 1733 was Captain of that Body. He was for many years the Major-General of the Province, and afterwards Brigadier-General, and one of his Majesty's Council. The unfortunate political stand taken by him in later years, drew upon him the hatred and aversion of his contemporaries, and with so much conflicting evidence it is difficult, after the lapse of a century, to form a correct estimate of his character. It was said of him that he was a man of "universal superficial knowledge," a severe reflection, and perhaps undeserved. He was a theologian, and frequently preached with acceptance; as a physician he was widely known and had extensive practice, and no higher tribute to his eminence as a barrister need be sought, than that in the years 1736 and '7, when only thirty years of age, he was elected by the House and Council to the office of Attorney General. He possessed strong peculiarities. Sabine says of him that "a man of more eminent talents and of greater eccentricities has seldom lived." The inheritor of a large and well invested property from his uncle the Treasurer and from his father, he had ample means to cultivate those tastes to which by his nature and education he was inclined. His commodious and beautifully situated house, erected probably soon after his marriage, and which now exists,

though greatly transformed,* known as the "Old Brattle House," was the resort of the fashion and style of this section of the country. The fame of his large and well ordered gardens spread far and wide, and with the addition of his sumptuous table, formed attractions to which even the sturdy habits of self-denial of our more Puritanic ancestors were wont to yield, grimly perchance, if not gracefully.

At the early age of twenty-one years he married Katherine, daughter of Governor Gurdon Saltonstall.[6] The event took place on the 23d November, 1727, in Boston, the officiating clergyman being the Rev. Joseph Sewall.

Katherine Saltonstall was born June 19, 1704. Her father graduated at Harvard College in 1684, ordained over the church in New London, Conn., in 1691, and Jan. 1, 1708, succeeded Gov. John Winthrop as the chief magistrate of the State. Bond says of him that "he was tall and well proportioned, of dignified aspect and demeanor; of eminent intellectual endowments and acquirements, and a very graceful and impressive elocution." He died suddenly of apoplexy, Sept. 21, 1724, while still holding the office of Governor. He was thrice married, Katherine being daughter of his second wife Elizabeth, daughter of William and Catherine (Russell) Rosewell. Gov. Saltonstall was of highly honorable parentage. He was born March 27, 1666, the eldest son of Colonel Nathaniel[5] and Elizabeth (Ward) Saltonstall, of Haverhill. Nathaniel[5] was born at Ipswich, graduated at Harvard College 1659, the eldest son of Richard[4] and Meriell (Gurdon).

* The observer will find but little left to excite his attention in the old house at the present day. The front porch and east side piazza are modern appendages. The curiously carved and twisted balusters of the front flight of inside stairs are still preserved. There was originally a long line of sheds and stables on the south side of the house, forming three sides of a quadrangle. Some of these outbuildings still remain—others have been removed or transformed. On the easterly side two of these small buildings still retain their curved shingled roofs, of a form but seldom seen in this locality either in edifices ancient or modern.

Richard[4] was born at Woodsome, Eng., 1610, educated at Emmanuel College, Cambridge, the eldest son of Sir Richard Saltonstall[3] of Huntwicke (by wife Grace, daughter of Robert Kaye Esq.), who was son of Samuel Saltonstall[2] of Rookes and Huntwicke (by wife Anne, daughter of John Ramsden, Esq.), who was son of Gilbert Saltonstall[1] of Halifax.

Of the personal qualities of Madame Brattle there remains to us no positive record. There is a half length portrait of her now in the possession of the writer, painted probably not far from the year 1735, in which she is represented as being of an erect, rather slender but well proportioned figure, with high open forehead and light waving hair. She died at Cambridge, April 28, 1752, and Nov. 2, 1755, General Brattle married a second wife, Mrs. Martha, widow of James Allen, and daughter of Thomas Fitch. She died, we believe without issue by this marriage, August, 1763.

General Brattle seems to have inherited from his father the same love for and interest in the welfare of his Alma Mater which so characterized the beloved minister of the Church in Cambridge. He was long one of her Overseers, and in 1762 was appointed by the Council one of a Committee for the erection of Hollis Hall, a task which was satisfactorily completed. The same year we find him as the Chairman of a Committee appointed to wait upon Governor Bernard with a request that he would so far hold in view the interests of Harvard College, as not to grant a petition then before him for the establishment of a new College in Hampshire county.

We come now to that period in the life of General Brattle once before alluded to in this account. It is no easy matter to discriminate between the truth and error in those cases where strong feeling and prejudice were sure to influence the writer. In the spring of 1775, the Revolution, long expected, broke forth in its full tide. Of all the motives which actuated and controlled him, we can form but a partial conception. Holding an office, and a highly

honorable one, under the Crown, on terms of friendship and familiarity with many of the Regular Army officers quartered in Boston and vicinity, his cultivated and refined tastes tending always to draw him to court, rather than plebeian society, were, no doubt, all inducements for him to remain loyal to the King of England. Certain it was that while studiously endeavoring to preserve friendly and peaceful relations with his townsmen and neighbors, he was openly opposed to their principles, and by constant correspondence with General Gage, kept him informed of the state of feeling in his vicinity. At last public excitement reached such a height that he deemed it wise to withdraw from Cambridge, and leaving his house and property in the hands of his only daughter, Madame Wendell, at that time a widow, he quietly joined the Royal Army in Boston; and at the evacuation in 1776, sailed with the Forces to Halifax, where he died in October of the same year. It is said that his grave-stone is still to be seen in the churchyard in that city.

There is now in the possession of the heirs of Mrs. Williams, a descendant, a three-quarter length portrait of General Brattle, painted by Copley in 1756, and therefore one of the earliest productions of this eminently gifted artist. He is represented in the full dress of an officer of the Royal Army. In person he was stoutly built, of an erect figure, probably above the average height.

At the time of his death General Brattle was an extensive owner in real estate. Following in the footsteps of his far-sighted uncle the Treasurer, he invested largely in the new lands then being settled in the central and western portions of the State. There is in the Probate Registry of Middlesex an appraisal of lands in Worcester county, taken soon after his death by order of Court, amounting in the aggregate to 1663 acres, valued at $37,622; and this was undoubtedly but a small proportion of his real estate.*

* In the town of Sturbridge, there are said to be two ponds bearing the names of Brattle and Saltonstall.

He also owned largely in the state of Vermont, and the town of Brattleborough takes its name from him, he being one of the original proprietors.

There are no papers on file in the Probate office which bear upon the administration of his estate; it was doubtless divided between the two children living at the time of his death.

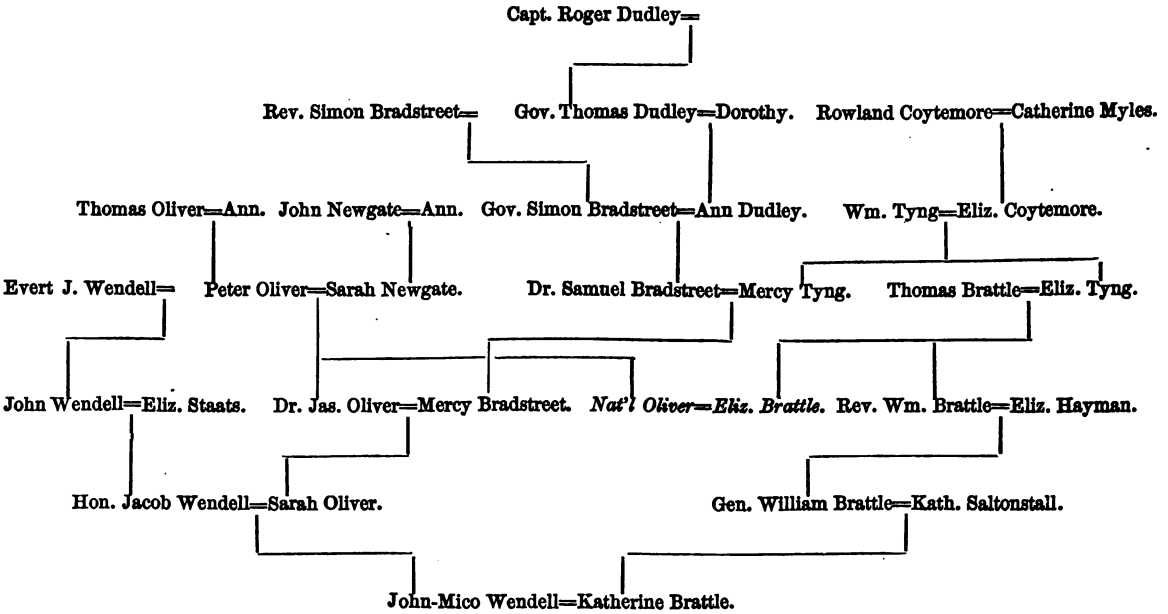
The issue of William and Katherine (Saltonstall) Brattle were, we presume, all born at Cambridge, although the births of only the two elder ones are recorded in the town records, while the baptisms of all, with the exception of these two, are found on the church books.

39.	William,	born Jan. 4, 1728–9, died Oct. 14, 1730.
40.	Katherine,	born June 2, 1730, mar. John-Mico Wendell.
41,	Mary,	bapt. March 18, 1732–3, died young.
42.	Elizabeth,	bapt. June 16, 1734, died young.
43.	Sarah,	bapt. June 6, 1736, died young.
44.	William,	bapt. Oct. 8, 1738, died young.
45.	Lucy,	bapt. March 30, 1740, died young.
46.	Thomas,	bapt. Feb. 14, 1741–2.
47.	Elizabeth,	bapt. May 8, 1743, d. —— 10, 1754.*

Of this family of nine children, it will be noted that two only lived to maturity—Katherine, in whom the line, but not the name, was perpetuated, and Thomas. Three or four of the others died of a malignant disease, all within the space of a few days.

* According to a funeral ring now owned by Mr. J. M. Williams, of Boston, the name of the month being obliterated.

ANCESTORS OF JOHN-MICO WENDELL AND KATHERINE BRATTLE.



FOURTH GENERATION.

(20) 40. KATHERINE BRATTLE, daughter of General William and Katherine (Saltonstall) Brattle, was married August 13, 1752, at Cambridge, by the Rev. N. Appleton, to John-Mico Wendell, merchant, of Boston.

The Boston family of Wendell is of Dutch origin. Evert-Jansen,[1] the progenitor of the race in this country, came from Embden in the principality of East Friesland, Hanover, about 1645, and settled in Albany, New York. He was the ruling Elder, or *Regerenden Dijaken* in the Dutch Reformed Church in that city in 1656, Orphan Master February 1657, and Magistrate 1660, 1661. In the old Dutch Church which stood at the intersection of Market Street (now Broadway) and State Street, there was a window of stained glass on which was emblazoned the arms of the Wendell family. Evert-Jansen Wendell died at Albany in 1709, aged eighty-eight years. By wife Maritje he had five sons and five daughters, viz.:

1. Evert,[2] who married Elizabeth Sanders. He was an Alderman in 1696 and 1700, and Commissioner of Indian Affairs in 1724.
2. Jeronimus.[2]
3. Johannes,[2] born 1647, of whom more hereafter.
4. Philip,[2] married Mariah Visscher.
5. Abraham,[2] married Mayken Van Ess.
6. Elsie,[2] married Abraham Staats.
7. Catherina,[2] married Thomas Millington.
8. Maria,[2] married Barent Sanders.
9. Susannah,[2] married Johannes (Lucas) Teller.
10. Diwertje,[2] married Myndert Wimp, and second Johannes Glen.

John Wendell,[2] the third son of Evert-Jansen, born in Albany in 1647, died Nov. 1691, married for his first wife Maritje Jellisse, who bore him two daughters, Elsie and Mary; and for second wife, Elizabeth, daughter of Major Abraham Staats, who had issue:

1. Abraham,[3] born Dec. 27, 1678, removed to Boston and there died Sept. 28, 1734, leaving issue.
2. Susanna,[3] married Goose Van Rensalear.
3. Catalina,[3] married Barent Sanders.
4. Elizabeth,[3] married Henry Van Rensalear.
5. John,[3] bapt. March 2, 1684.
6. Ephraim,[3] bapt. June 3, 1685, died unmarried.
7. Isaac,[3] bapt. Jan. 28, 1687, probably married ——— Bangs, of Boston.
8. Sarah,[3] bapt. Nov. 11, 1688.
9. Jacobus,[3] born Aug. 5, bapt. Aug. 11, 1691.

Jacob,[3] the youngest son of John Wendell, early came to Boston, where he soon became a successful and wealthy merchant. He was one of the Governor's Council, Colonel of the Boston regiment as early as 1742, and in 1733 was director of the first banking institution in the province. He died September 7, 1761, having married, August 12, 1714, Sarah, the daughter of Dr. James Oliver, of Cambridge. She was born at C., Sept. 4, 1696, and died at Boston, July 22, 1762. (Dr. Oliver, b. March 19, 1658–9, Harvard College 1680, married Mercy, daughter of Dr. Samuel Bradstreet by wife Mercy, daughter of William and Elizabeth [Coytemore] Tyng. He was the son of Peter Oliver by wife Sarah, dau. of John and Ann Newgate, and grandson of Thomas Oliver who came to Boston about 1632, and died June 1, 1658). The issue of Hon. Jacob Wendell by wife Sarah were:

1. Jacob,[4] b. Sept. 4, 1715, died Nov. 27, 1753.
2. Elizabeth,[4] b. Jan. 20, 1719, married Richard Wibird, of Portsmouth.

3. Sarah,[4] b. March 3, 1721, married John Hunt, and second ——— Hewes.
4. Mercy,[4] b. April 10, 1722, married Nathaniel Oliver, whose descendants will be found in the line of the Oliver family on a following page.
5. Mary,[4] b. Jan. 14, 1724, married Samuel Sewall.
6. Katherine,[4] b. June 18, 1726, married William Cooper.
7. John-Mico,[4] b. May 31, 1728, married Katherine Brattle.
8. Ann,[4] b. Dec. 7, 1730, married John Penhallow.
9. Oliver,[4] b. March 5, 1733, afterwards Judge of Probate for Suffolk county; married Mary Jackson, and had issue. His daughter Sarah married Rev. Dr. Abiel Holmes, of Cambridge, the father of Oliver Wendell Holmes, M.D., of Boston.
10. Abraham,[4] b. Nov. 12, 1735.
11. Susannah,[4] b. June 15, 1737, died unmarried.
12. Margaret,[4] b. Aug. 20, 1739, mar. William Phillips, of Boston, whose son John was the first Mayor of that city, and of whom a more extended notice will be found in another portion of this volume.

John-Mico Wendell,[4] the son of Hon. Jacob Wendell by wife Sarah Oliver, was born at Boston, May 31, 1728, graduated at Harvard College in 1747, and died much lamented at Boston, Wednesday, Nov. 24, 1773. To the notice of his death, the Boston Gazette of Nov. 29 adds:—"In him we mourn the loss of a friendly, virtuous, worthy man, and a good Citizen,—his Seizure was sudden, and affords another solemn Proof of the Justness of that Observation, *In the midst of Life we are in Death.* His funeral is to be this Afternoon."

Sometime after his decease, his widow removed to Cambridge, and there resided until her death, which took place Jan. 30, 1821, at the advanced age of nearly ninety-one years. Her house stood near the corner of what is now Wendell Street and North Avenue.

The Centinel of Feby 10, 1821, contained a memoir, from which we glean some knowledge of her character. "Descended from honorable families, she possessed the virtues and maintained the honors of her ancestors. In her widowed state she proved herself to be endued with those talents and virtues which eminently qualified her for the uncommon trials and duties which Divine Providence assigned her. During the war of the Revolution, both her talents and her virtues were put to a severe test; and by her wisdom and discretion, her energy and decision, her integrity and rectitude, her benevolence and charity, she conciliated the favor of men in power civil and military; secured to herself personal respect and rescued the paternal inheritance from the hazard of confiscation. It was by her means that the portion of the estate that fell to her brother, the late Thomas Brattle, Esq., then in England, was in like manner preserved. The event proved that her patrimony was reserved to her for wise and benevolent purposes. Wherever she resided, her charities were diffused. Secluded from the world by habitual infirmities, she consulted others, to indicate to her the proper objects of charity, and in the selection of those objects, as well as in the distribution of her bounty, her judgment was admirable. Her contributions aided in the translation of the Bible into the languages of the East, and in the diffusion of Christian knowledge among the poor and destitute of our own country."

Her will was dated Oct. 1, 1802, nearly twenty years before her death. In it and its codicils of later dates she disposes of her wearing apparel, furniture, etc. (except the plate and jewels which were to be divided between her granddaughters), to her daughter Mrs. Mellen. Her watch she gave to Ezra-Stiles Gannett, as a token of the esteem with which she had held his mother. Her clock she gave to Thomas-Brattle Gannett. A sum of money was directed to be applied to the education of the boy "found at her door in July or August, 1800." To her daughter, Mrs. Mellen,

she gave her house, farm, carriages, etc. All the remaining personal property was to remain in the hands of the executors until her youngest granddaughter should have arrived at the age of twenty-one, one half of the accruing interest to be paid to Mrs. Mellen, the other half to be added to the principal. At the expiration of that time, one half of the whole was to be paid to the children of her late daughter Mrs. Gannett, the remainder to be held by the executors until the death of Mrs. Mellen, she drawing the interest thereof. At her death the balance was to be divided amongst her children, and the real estate divided, one half to her heirs, the other half to the heirs of Mrs. Gannett. Rev. Caleb Gannett, Rev. John Mellen and John Phillips, of Boston (who declined the trust), were appointed Executors. In February, 1821, T. B. Gannett for himself and as agent for John-Mico Gannett and Elizabeth L. Andrews, Rev. William Bascom and wife, and Martha, widow of John Mellen, the sole heirs at law, consented to the probate of the will.

The issue of John-Mico and Katherine (Brattle) Wendell, all born at Boston, were:

48. William-Brattle, born Oct. 14, 1753, died young.
49. Jacob, born March 3, 1755, died young.
50. Katherine, born April 2, 1756, m. Caleb Gannett.
51. John, born Jan. 8, 1758, died young.
52. Martha-Fitch, born Oct. 8, 1762, mar. Rev. John Mellen.

(20) 46. THOMAS BRATTLE, the youngest and only surviving son of General William and Katherine (Saltonstall) Brattle, graduated at Harvard College in 1760, and not long afterwards visited England and the Continent for the double purpose of study and travel. The breaking out of the Revolution found him still abroad, and, doubtless, being informed of the position taken by his father, the General, he conceived it to be the most prudent course to re-

main in England, rather than to return to his native land. There is but little doubt that his sympathies were with the people in their struggle for independence. He diligently sought out his fellow countrymen who had been unfortunate enough to lose their liberty and become prisoners in English dungeons, relieving their wants and ministering to their personal necessities to the extent of his very ample means. Previous to the war he had received, both in England and upon the Continent, many marks of attention as the heir of a respectable and wealthy house, and his conduct at this time, so at variance with that of the majority of Americans who had sought refuge from the storms of war in a foreign land, very naturally excited much comment and many expressions of admiration from the more disinterested portion of the community. As a mark of their respect, previous to his departure for America at the close of the war, he was presented, by a number of those whose friendship and esteem he had thus won, with a fine oil painting of Pope's Man of Ross.

He did not immediately return to Cambridge upon his arrival in New England, but remained in Rhode Island until matters had become more settled and the popular indignation against his father and himself had in a measure abated. It had been only through the strenuous and determined exertions of his noble-hearted sister, Madame Wendell, that the paternal estate in Brattle Street had been saved from confiscation. The house had been thoroughly ransacked and somewhat damaged by the continental troops during the war, and some of the real estate in Boston had been seized and occupied. It became his first object to wrest this from the hands of its present occupants, and in this he was successful, satisfactorily proving his allegiance to the common cause.

His financial matters thus happily arranged, he entered upon what proved to be a long and peaceful life in his native town. The neglected estate was restored to its former beauty and improved by the erection of a green-house, probably one of the

earliest known in this part of the country. He lacked some of the brilliant qualities which had so distinguished his father, but possessed others which were perhaps as valuable in winning and retaining friendship. His house was a centre of hospitality, and his latter years seem to have been spent, as were so many of the former, in the performance of deeds of kindness and generosity. He died, universally lamented and beloved, on the 7th of February, 1801, and was laid to rest in the family tomb, the last of his name. He was never married.

His will was dated five days before his death. The executors named were Caleb Gannett and John Mellen, the husbands of his two nieces. By this will his housekeeper, Lucy Windship, who had lived in his employ for many years, was to receive a house and land, and at her death the same was to pass to her adopted son, Edward Windship. She was also to receive one hundred dollars annually for the education of this son until he arrived at the age of twenty-one years. To Hannah Learned he left five shares of the West Boston Bridge stock. To Thomas-Brattle Gannett he left two shares of the same stock, and two shares of the Charlestown Bridge stock, which was to be over and above his due proportion as hereafter named. To Deborah Learned, Thomas Woodward and Caleb Prentice he gave one hundred dollars each. To the Rev. Dr. Thacher of Boston, and the Rev. Mr. Holmes of Cambridge, "a suit of apparel, each of the best materials." The residue of the estate was to be divided as follows: The children of his late niece Katherine Gannett to have one half, and the children of his niece Martha-Fitch Mellen the other half. The family, "including Deborah Learned," were "to be put into handsome mourning."

The will was consented to by Mrs. Katherine Wendell, his sister, as the only heir-at-law of the estate.

THE BRATTLE-WENDELL BRANCH.

THE only descendants of General William Brattle and wife Katherine (Saltonstall), as we have shown, were through their daughter Katherine, who married John-Mico Wendell, merchant, of Boston. Of the issue of this marriage, two daughters only arrived at maturity.

(40) 50. KATHERINE WENDELL, born April 2, 1756, at Boston, married at Cambridge, January 17, 1781, Rev. Caleb Gannett.

Caleb Gannett was born at Bridgewater, Mass., Aug. 22, 1745, the eldest son of Joseph* and Elizabeth (Latham) Gannett. He graduated at Harvard College in 1763, and was ordained in the ministry at Hingham, Oct 12, 1767. He was the pastor of Amherst and Cumberland, Nova Scotia, but from inadequate support returned to New England in 1771. In 1773 he was appointed Tutor of Mathematics in Harvard College, and continued at that post until December, 1779, when he was induced to accept the

* Joseph Gannett, styled Captain, son of Joseph, was born at Bridgewater, April 10, 1722. He married, in 1744, Elizabeth, daughter of Charles and Susanna (Woodward) Latham, and died at Bridgewater, March 27, 1789, his widow dying March 1, 1813. She was the granddaughter of Chilton Latham (by wife Susanna Kingman), who was son of Robert Latham of Cambridge, Marshfield, Plymouth and Bridgewater (by wife Susanna Winslow, who was daughter of John Winslow by his wife the noted Mary Chilton of Mayflower memory), who was son of William Latham, a passenger in the Mayflower.

Joseph Gannett, father of the Captain, and son of Joseph, Sr., was born at Scituate, Sept. 14, 1693, married Hannah, daughter of Dea. Jonathan Hayward, and died at Bridgewater, April 30, 1774, his wife having died Sept. 9, 1731. Joseph Gannett, Sr., son of Matthew, was born at Scituate about 1660, married a widow Sharp, and died at Scituate, Aug. 25, 1693. Matthew Gannett, born in England about 1618, settled first at Hingham, but in 165½ removed to Scituate, where he died October, 1695. His wife Hannah died at S. July 21, 1700, aged 78. They were the ancestors, probably, of all of the name of Gannett in this section of the country.

office of Steward, For twenty-nine years he served the College in this capacity, and at his death the Institution "was deprived of a long-tried and faithful officer, diligent, assiduous, and correct in the discharge of his duty." He was deeply interested in mathematical pursuits, and in the Transactions of the American Academy published observations of an eclipse, and two papers on the aurora borealis. His residence in Cambridge was on Holmes Place, near the site of the Railroad Depot. His wife died at Cambridge, July 25, 1798, having borne him five children, and he married Jan. 19, 1800, Ruth, daughter of Rev. Ezra Stiles. She was born at Newport, August 20, 1765, and died June 11, 1808, leaving an only child, Ezra Stiles Gannett, born at Cambridge, May 4, 1801, graduated at Harvard College in 1820, and now the well-known and respected minister of Arlington Street Church, of Boston.

Rev. Caleb Gannett died at Cambridge, April 25, 1818. His remains, with those of both wives, were placed in the Brattle tomb in the grave-yard of that city.

The issue of Rev. Caleb and Katherine (Wendell) Gannett, all born at Cambridge, were:

53. Katherine Brattle, b. June 8, 1782, m. Rev. William Bascom.
54. John-Mico, b. March 15, 1784.
55. Thomas-Brattle, b. Feb. 20, 1789.
56. Elizabeth-Latham, b. Apr. 20, 1791, married John D. Andrews.
57. Caleb, b. Oct. 7, 1793; d. Oct. 27, 1793.

(50) 53. Katherine-Brattle Gannett, the eldest child of Rev. Caleb and Katherine (Wendell) Gannett, and the eldest descendant in line from the Rev. William Brattle, married at Cambridge, January 1, 1806, Rev. William Bascom.

William Bascom was born at Orleans, Mass., May 19, 1780, son of Rev. Jonathan* and Temperance (Knowles) Bascom. He graduated at Harvard College in 1802, and was ordained over the church at Fitchburg, Oct. 16, 1805. He resigned his charge there December 15, 1813, and May 10, 1815, was ordained over the church at Leominster, where he continued until February of 1820. He died at Boston, November 16, 1845. His widow died at Cambridge, Feb. 26, 1863.

The issue of Rev. William and Katherine-Brattle Bascom were:

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* Rev. Jonathan Bascom,[5] son of Ensign Daniel Bascom,[4] was born at Lebanon, Conn., Sept. 14, 1740, graduated at Yale College 1764, ordained over church at Orleans, Mass., 1772, where he remained its beloved pastor until his death, March 18, 1807. He was thrice married: first to Temperance Knowles (born at Eastham, daughter of Col. Willard Knowles, who was son of John, who was son of Deacon Edward, who was son of Edward and Sarah (Mayo), who was son of Edward and Ann (Ridley), who was son of John and Apphia (Bangs), who was at Tonset before 1670), Dec. 23, 1766, who died April 8, 1782; second to Phœbe Taylor, Aug. 10, 1782, who died Aug. 16, 1784; and third to Betty Freeman, Feb. 10, 1785. His issue were:

1. Timothy, b. May 2, 1767, died at Pepperell, Dec. 8, 1848.
2. Jonathan, b. June 19, 1769, died Jan. 19, 1775.
3. Abigail, b. Aug. 29, 1771, mar. Jonathan Hall.
4. Jonathan, b. May 16, 1776, d. at Lowell, July 15, 1851.
5. Temperance, b. June 17, 1778, mar. John Crowell.
6. William, b. May 19, 1780.
7. Phœbe, b. May 22, 1783, died Aug. 29, 1783.
8. Charles, b. Aug. 20, 1787, died Sept. 10, 1805.

Ensign Daniel Bascom,[4] only child of John Bascom,[3] was born at Northampton, Mass., Feb. 13, 1703; married Feb. 27, 1723, Elizabeth French. He died at Lebanon, Ct., March 18, 1761, and she died Feb. 15, 1749–50. John Bascom,[3] son of Thomas Bascom,[2] was born at Northampton, Oct. 14, 1672; married Dec. 12, 1700, Thankful, daughter of Thomas Webster, and granddaughter of Gov. John Webster of Hartford. He early settled at Lebanon, and there died June 27, 1755. Thomas Bascom,[2] only son of Thomas Bascom,[1] Sr., was born at Windsor, Ct., Feb. 20, 1641–2; married March 20, 1667, Mary, daughter of Thomas Newell, and died at Northampton, Sept. 11, 1689. Thomas Bascom,[1] Sr., came to New England about 1634, early removed to Windsor, Ct., and from there to Northampton, Mass., where he died May 9, 1682, his wife Avis dying Feb. 3, 1676. All of the Bascoms in New England are descended from him.

1. Caleb-Gannett, born at Fitchburg, Oct. 22, 1806, married Mary-Jackson, daughter of Thomas Kidder of Boston, and has issue two daughters: Helen-W., born Nov. 17, 1847; Mary-Louise, born Oct. 13, 1852.

2. Ruth Stiles, born at Fitchburg, May 5, 1808, died unmarried, Jan 26, 1835.

3. Katherine-Brattle, born at Fitchburg, April 18, 1810, married at Boston, Sept. 9, 1840, Colonel Hiram* Wheelock. He died at Boston, Aug. 15, 1857, their issue an only child, Katherine-Brattle, born at Boston, July 9, 1842, who married October 5, 1864, Edward-Doubleday Harris,† son of Thaddeus-William and Catherine (Holbrook) Harris, of Cambridge.

4. Tempe-Eliza, born at Fitchburg, Feb. 4, 1812, married Oct.

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* He was born at Charlton, Mass., June 17, 1794, son of Eli and Hannah (Streeter) Wheelock. Eli[5] Wheelock was born at Charlton, July 7, 1760, son of Jonathan,[4] married March 14, 1782, Hannah, daughter of Jonathan and Abigail Streeter, and died at C., Sept 18, 1797, his widow surviving him until March 21, 1812. Jonathan Wheelock, son of Benjamin,[3] was born at Mendon, July 21, 1713, married Martha Wight, May 22, 1735, and died at Charlton, June 26, 1783.

Benjamin Wheelock,[3] son of Benjamin,[2] Sr., was born at Medfield, Dec. 12, 1678, married Dec. 9, 1700, Huldah, daughter of Jonathan Thayer. Benjamin Wheelock,[2] Sr., son of Deacon Ralph Wheelock,[1] was born at Dedham in 1639, married May 21, 1668, Elizabeth, daughter of Samuel Bullen. His father, Ralph Wheelock,[1] said to have been educated at Clare Hall, England, was one of the first settlers of Dedham, a man of great energy and highly respected for his sterling worth.

† Thaddeus-William Harris, M.D., Librarian of Harvard College, and famed as an Entomologist, was born at Dorchester, Nov. 12, 1795, son of Thaddeus-Mason Harris, D.D., minister of that place, born at Charlestown, July 7, 1768, who was the only son of Capt. William Harris of Charlestown, born at Boston, July 2, 1744, who was only son of Cary Harris, born at Boston, Feb. 10, 1721, who was only son of Benjamin Harris, born at Boston in 1694, who was the only son of Thomas Harris of Boston.

Recent researches have brought to light the fact that Thomas Harris was baptized in the church at Ottery St. Mary, Devonshire, England, July, 1637, married a first wife Jane, but lost her and all his children by her except the eldest, Jane, who came with her father to this country before 1675. He was the only son of Thomas, Sr., who was christened in the same church, August, 1606, and married April, 1630, Marie Farant, and grandson of John Harris of Aylesbury, who settled at Ottery St. Mary, and there married, November, 1605, Alice Sprague. He died in 1639.

1837, John-Palsgrave Gannett, son of John-Mico Gannett, and has issue two sons: William-Wyllys, born July 15, 1839; John-Stiles, born March 31, 1841.

5. William-Brattle, born at Leominster, Jan. 27, 1816, married Mary Stowe, and has issue two daughters.

6. John-Thomas Stiles, born at Leominster, Dec. 13, 1819, married Hannah-E. Stone of Salem, and died Oct. 28, 1849, without issue.

(50) 54. JOHN-MICO GANNETT, eldest son of Rev. Caleb and Katherine (Wendell) Gannett, graduated at Harvard College, 1802, married at Hartford, Ct., June 30, 1805, Mary-Woodbridge, daughter of Samuel Wyllys. He died at Boston, July, 1855, and she died April 13, 1825. Their issue were:

1. Samuel-Wyllys, b. Oct. 19, 1806, died unmarried.
2. John-Palsgrave, b. March 19, 1808. (See above.)
3. Katherine-Wendell, b. Feb. 21, 1810, d. April 17, 1834.
4. Thomas-Brattle, b. Jan. 6, 1812, d. young.
5. George-Alfred, b. March 20, 1814, m. Sarah Tilden, residence at St. Louis, Mo., and has issue.
6. Caleb-Thornton-Kirkland, b. Jan. 15, 1816, and died without issue.

(50) 55. THOMAS-BRATTLE GANNETT, second son of Rev. Caleb and Katherine (Wendell) Gannett, graduated at Harvard College 1809, married April 28, 1814, Deborah-Foxcroft White. She died Dec. 30, 1822, and he married May 10, 1824, her sister, Sarah-Whitworth White. He was ordained pastor of church at Cambridgeport, Jan. 19, 1814, and resigned May 1, 1841. He died at South Natick, April 19, 1851, having issue:

1. Thomas-Brattle, b. Aug. 2, 1816, died in Florida, Oct. 30, 1841.
2. John Alfred, b. Dec. 11, 1817, married Agnes-J. White, and has issue.

3. William-Whitworth, b. March 14, 1820, married Charlotte-K. Sanger, and has issue.
4. Deborah-White, b. June 2, 1825, mar. Hon. Charles-B. Sedgwick.
5. Mary-Wyllys, b. Sept. 27, 1827, married Charles-O. Holyoke.
6. Joan-Winslow, b. Aug. 23, 1829, m. J. G. Sewall, M.D.
7. Sarah-Elizabeth, b. Oct. 30, 1831, m. John W. Hastings.
8. Ezra-Stiles, b. Sept. 26, 1834.
9. Cornelius-Howland, b. Nov. 28, 1836, d. Aug. 9, 1837.
10. Alfred-White, b. Oct. 20, 1838.
11. Lucy-Gayton, b. May 33, 1843.

(50) 56. ELIZABETH-LATHAM GANNETT, the youngest daughter of Rev. Caleb and Katherine (Wendell) Gannett, married early in 1814, John-Dudley Andrews, Esq., lawyer, of Ipswich. He was born there, August 23, 1790, son of Asa and Joanna (Heard) Andrews. His parents were married Oct. 12, 1788, by the Rev. Levi Frisbie, whose name we shall have occasion to mention again in connection with this branch. He died at Ipswich, Sept. 12, 1817, and his widow soon afterwards returned to Cambridge, where she spent most of her remaining days, dying at the residence of Rev. Thomas B. Gannett, in April, 1838. Their issue, born at Ipswich, were:

1. Charles-Robert, who died at the South, unmarried.
2. Joanna-Heard, married in 1838 Charles Haskell, and died in Boston in 1844, leaving an only child Joanna.
3. John-Dudley, died at Cambridge in infancy.

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(40) 52. MARTHA-FITCH WENDELL, the youngest daughter of John-Mico and Katherine (Brattle) Wendell, married at Cambridge May 27, 1784, Rev. John Mellen.

John Mellen was born June 27, 1752, at Sterling, the son of Rev. John Mellen* of that place. He graduated at Harvard College in 1770, and in 1780 was appointed tutor there. This place he occupied for the space of three years, leaving it to become the minister of the Second Church at Barnstable, where he was ordained, Nov. 12, 1783. Here he remained, "ardently beloved by his church and people," until he was dismissed at his own request, Nov. 3, 1800. He was "an efficient and devoted laborer in the cause of truth, and upon his separation from his people, carried with him their sincere regrets at his departure, and their earnest wishes for his happiness. Nor did his interest in them cease when his connection with them had terminated, but to the end of his life he was wont to speak of them with the kindest solicitude." He returned to Cambridge, where he spent the remaining years of his life. It was but a short time after this change in his residence that his eyesight began to be affected, and "after suffering a painful and tedious operation, was at last left in hopeless darkness." He died at his residence on Kirkland Street, Cambridge, Sept. 19, 1828. His widow survived him, and died April 13, 1835. Their remains were placed in the Brattle tomb.

The issue of Rev. John Mellen and Martha-Fitch his wife, all born in Barnstable, were:

58. Sophia, born Sept. 19, 1785, married John Williams.
59. Catherine-Saltonstall, born Dec. 6, 1788, married Levi Frisbie.
60. John-Wendell, born Sept. 11, 1794.
61. Martha-Fitch, born March 5, 1802, died in infancy.

* Thomas Mellen, the father of Rev. John Mellen of Sterling, was a farmer of Hopkinton, Mass. The son was born in that place March 22, 1722, graduated at Harvard in 1741, and was settled at Lancaster, now Sterling, in 1744. Nov. 30, 1749, he married Rebecca, daughter of Rev. John Prentiss of Lancaster, by whom he had nine children. He died at Reading, July 4, 1807.

(52) 58. SOPHIA MELLEN, the eldest child of Rev. John and Martha-Fitch (Wendell) Mellen, married at Cambridge, April 23, 1810, John Williams, born at Alfred, Maine, May 14, 1780. He was a prominent merchant of Dover, N. H., afterwards in Boston, and for many years Agent of the Dover (now Cocheco) Manufacturing Company. He died at Boston, July 17, 1843. His widow survived him, and died while on a visit at Dover, July 27, 1864, having attained the age of nearly 79 years. Her remains were placed with those of Mr. Williams in the Brattle tomb at Cambridge. Their issue, all born at Dover, were:

1. Catherine-Wendell, b. March 12, 1811.
2. John-Mellen, b. March 16, 1813, died in infancy.
5. Martha-Fitch, b. Sept. 25, 1815.
4. John-Mellen, b. July 28, 1818, and at this time (1867) a resident of Boston.

(52) 59. CATHERINE-SALTONSTALL, second daughter of Rev. John and Martha-Fitch (Wendell) Mellen, married at Cambridge, Sept. 10, 1815, Levi Frisbie.

Levi Frisbie was born at Ipswich, Mass., Sept. 15, 1784, son of Rev. Levi Frisbie (who was born at Branford, Ct., in 1784, graduated at Dartmouth College in 1771, minister of Ipswich, and died Feb. 25, 1806), graduated at Harvard College in 1802, in the class with Rev. William Bascom and John-Mico Gannett. In 1805 he was made Tutor, and served until 1811, when he was appointed to the Latin Professorship. In 1817 he resigned the chair to take that of Professor of Natural Theology, Moral Philosophy and Political Economy, a post which he filled until his death, July 9, 1822. He was buried in the Brattle tomb.

Mrs. Frisbie married Nov. 27, 1828, James Hayward, born at Concord, Mass., June 12, 1786. He graduated at Harvard College in the class of 1819; Tutor there 1820–26, and was then made Professor of Mathematics and Natural Philosophy, a post

which he filled, however, but a short time. He soon afterwards established himself in Boston as a civil engineer, and was the Chief Engineer and afterwards President of the Boston and Maine Railroad. He was a member of the Common Council of the City of Boston 1845–46, and was for some time one of the Harbor Commissioners. He died at his residence on Tremont Street, July 27, 1866. His wife died May 6, 1842, having had issue, one daughter by her first marriage, Catherine-Saltonstall Frisbie, born July 16, 1816, and died Sept. 29, 1817.

(52) 60. JOHN-WENDELL MELLEN, only son of Rev. John and Martha-Fitch (Wendell) Mellen, married Aug. 8, 1818, Eleanor-Bradish, born at Hallowell, Maine, Aug. 4, 1798, the daughter of Hon. Samuel S. Wilde, Judge of the Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts. He died at New York, July 25, 1829, and his wife died at Andover, March 7, 1838. Their issue were:

1. Martha-Fitch, b. at North Yarmouth, Me., May 26, 1819, died June 9, 1839.
2. Samuel-Sumner, b. at N. Yarmouth, Sept. 2, 1820, died June 3, 1837.
3. Eleanor-Wilde, b. at N. Yarmouth, June 13, 1822, died Feb. 28, 1859.
4. Catherine-Frisbie, b. at Dover, N. H., May 18, 1824, died Sept. 2, 1824.
5. John-Wendell, b. at Dover, Sept. 10, 1825, died March 30, 1830.
6. William-Austin Kent, b. at Dover, Nov. 16, 1827, now a resident of Salem, Oregon, and has issue, two daughters.

THE BRATTLE-OLIVER BRANCH.*

DESCENDANTS OF NATHANIEL AND ELIZABETH (BRATTLE) OLIVER.

(4.) 10. ELIZABETH OLIVER, the eldest child of Nathaniel and Elizabeth (Brattle) Oliver, married Sept. 14, 1699, Capt. Samuel Keeling. He was a merchant of Boston, partner in business with Charles Chauncey, a member of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company in 1699, Lieutenant in the same in 1710, and Captain in 1716. He and his wife were members of the Brattle-Street Church, he admitted July 8, 1700, and she Nov. 6, 1702.

The date of his death is not known. His widow was appointed to administer upon the estate, Jan. 26, 1729–30, and an inventory was returned March 2 following. Aug. 17 the estate was declared insolvent, and commissioners were appointed. Aug. 18, 1731, Brattle Oliver was appointed administrator *de bonis non*, the widow being dead.

The issue of Samuel and Elizabeth (Oliver) Keeling were:

1. Samuel, b. Aug. 23, 1705, and died Aug. 27, following.
2. Elizabeth, b. Aug. 23, 1708, baptized same day, and was living in July, 1742, unmarried.
3. Prudence, b. Oct. 13, 1711, bapt. next day, and married Thomas Delaplace, tailor of Boston, both living July 1742, when they, with Elizbeth just mentioned, signed

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* The matter contained in the accompanying sketch of the Oliver family was mostly collected long previous to the appearance of the article in the Genealogical Register of 1865. Few if any facts in addition to those already obtained were gathered from that source; but I take much pleasure in this connection in acknowledging the assistance of Dr. N. B. Shurtleff, who had himself explored the field several years before, and kindly placed his manuscript at my disposal for comparison. My thanks are also due to General Oliver for much timely aid in preparing the account of his own branch.

a quit-claim to the estate of their grandfather Nathaniel Oliver, in favor of their aunt Mary Oliver, who by her will in 1763 left property to "niece Prudence Delaplace."

4. A child unnamed, buried Sept. 4, 1718.
5. A child unnamed, buried July 24, 1719.

No further information of this family has been found.

(4) 11. SARAH, second child of Nathaniel and Elizabeth (Brattle) Oliver, married April 30, 1717, Capt. Thomas Smith, Esq., brazier and merchant of Boston. He was a member of the Artillery Company in 1702, Ensign in 1713, Lieutenant in 1715, and Captain in 1722. March 23, 1742, administration was granted to his widow Sarah and son John. The inventory amounted to £5743.10.3. Aug. 6, 1742, the widow's third was set off to her.

The issue of Thomas and Sarah Smith were:

1. Sarah, b. Sept. 16, bapt. Sept. 21, 1718.
2. Ann, } b. Nov. 3 or 8, 1719. { died in infancy.
3. Bethiah } { died Jan. 20, 1721.
4. Ann, b. April 29, 1721.
5. John.

And perhaps 6, Sarah, b. May 13, died May 27, 1724.

They become lost in the interminable line of Smiths, and our patience is exhausted in vain attempts to unravel their story.

(4) 12. NATHANIEL OLIVER, the third child and eldest son of Nathaniel and Elizabeth (Brattle) Oliver, graduated at Harvard College in 1701, the same year a member of the Artillery Company. In 1717 he was made Lieutenant in that body, and also bore the title of Captain of the militia. He was early associated in business with his brother Peter Oliver, and resided until about

1719 in Boston. He married Nov. 30, 1709, Martha Hobbs, who it would appear was in some way connected with the family of Capt. Robert Keayne, for she inherited from her kinsfolk Nicholas Paige and wife Anna, the Keayne estate at Rumney Marsh, now Chelsea. In Paige's will she was made the executrix, and Gov. Joseph Dudley and Col. Nathaniel Thomas "Overseers," in connection with which appointment the following sentence occurs: "And we do further and earnestly request of our Hond. Overseers for to advise and Council this our Executrix in her Marriage with any person, that she may marry withall, and we do hereby leave it a solemn Charge upon her, and as our dying request that she do take your advice therein and be very Carefull how she doth dispose of herself in Marriage, and that she Match into a good Family and with one that feareth God, that so neither she and so fair an Estate be not thrown away in her match."

Nathaniel Oliver's residence in Boston was on Milk Street, near the junction of the present Kilby Street. Some time previous to the year 1719, he and his brother Peter seem to have become embarrassed in their financial matters, and their real estate, situated mostly on Fort Hill, was heavily mortgaged, and eventually the larger portion surrendered to their creditors. About this time he removed to his wife's estate at Rumney Marsh, and was thenceforward occupied in the duties of a school teacher, preparing young men for Cambridge. He was for many years Justice of the Peace for Suffolk County, and the first Town Clerk of Chelsea when that place was set off from Boston as a separate township in 1738. The "fair Estate" which he occupied there descended to his children, although much diminished by mortgages and sales in his lifetime. He died at Chelsea, Dec. 27, 1768, his son Nathaniel administering on the estate.

The issue of Nathaniel and Martha (Hobbs) Oliver were:

62. Martha, b. July 28, 1711, died Aug. 22, 1712.
63. Nathaniel, b. June 2, 1713.
64. Paige, b. Feb. 5, 1714–15, died July 28, 1715.
65. Peter, b. about 1718.
66. William, b. 1720.

(4) 14. JAMES OLIVER, the fifth child of Nathaniel and Elizabeth (Brattle) Oliver, married January 31, 1711, Rebecca, only child of James* and Rebecca (Leverett) Lloyd. He appears to have resided on a portion of the family estate at Fort Hill, Boston, and is styled merchant. His wife was a granddaughter of Gov. Leverett (for whom doubtless their son was named), and June 19, 1741, they sold their interest in his real estate in Boston. Dec. 19, 1739, they sold to Jacob Wendell an estate with distillery thereon, at Fort Hill, for the sum of £4600.

James Oliver would seem to have outlived his wife. His will was dated June 28, 1754, and approved July 19 of same year. By it his estate was divided between his daughters Mary Wendell and Sarah (Rebecca?) Wentworth, and his brother Peter was appointed the administrator.

The issue of James and Rebecca (Lloyd) Oliver were:

67. Mary, b. Nov. 21, 1712, married Nov. 11, 1731, Col. John Wendell.†
68. Leverett, b. Feb. 23, 1714–15 (buried July 28, 1716?).
69. A child, buried Oct. 28, 1718.

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* James Lloyd came from Somersetshire, England, about 1670, married Nov. 3, 1691, and died July, 1693.

† Said to be brother of Hon. Jacob and Abraham, and grandson of Evert-Jansen. He died at Boston, Feb. 1772. By his will, dated 1735, he made his wife executrix. Real estate is mentioned called "Stone Raby" in New York, and "Whale Island" in Hudson River. Boston records give births of three children of John and Mary, viz.: Rebecca, born June 15, 1734; Elizabeth, b. Aug. 30, 1736; John, born Aug. 29, 1737.

70. Rebecca, b. July 3, 1721, married Oct. 10, 1739, Samuel Wentworth, Esq., of Portsmouth, N. H.; and second, a Simpson. She probably died without issue.
71. Elizabeth, b. July 23, 1723, probably died young.
72. James, b. April 16, 1725, probably died young.

(4) 15. BRATTLE OLIVER, sixth child of Nathaniel and Elizabeth (Brattle) Oliver, married March 11, 1713–14, Anne, daughter of Capt. Benjamin Gillam of Boston. But very little is known of him. He was a member of the Old South Church, lived in Boston, and styled himself "merchant," and was one of the subscribers to Prince's Chronology. The last record I have found of him is the fact of his forbidding the marriage banns of his eldest daughter in 1736. In September of 1734 he mortgaged some real estate on Fort Hill to his brother James, the property formerly of his wife's father. It is probable that his wife survived him, for in March, 1762, their son Edward-Brattle sold real estate on Fort Hill, lately her property, subject only to a lease held by Jonathan Lowder, dated from the year previous.

The issue of Brattle and Anne (Gillam) Oliver were:

73. Ann, b. Nov. 18, 1715, mar. Jonathan Lowder.*
74. Edward-Brattle, bapt. Dec. 15, 1717, buried Jan. 4, 1717–18.
75. Edward-Brattle, b. Nov. 20, bapt. Nov. 22, 1719.
76. Thomas, bapt. Nov. 4, 1722, died young.
77. Abigail, bapt. Aug. 24, 1724, died young.

* The date of this marriage I have not found. Banns were published June 23 and July 2, 1736, but the marriage was forbidden by her father. It is certain, however, that it was afterwards consummated, for her aunt Mary Oliver left property to her, and constituted Jonathan Lowder her executor. He was a barber, and lived on Atkinson Street. Dec. 1, 1769, his estate was administered upon, the inventory placing the value at £532. I have found no record of any issue.

(4) 16. PETER OLIVER, seventh child of Nathaniel and Elizabeth (Brattle) Oliver, graduated at Harvard College in 1710, and lived afterwards in Boston, a merchant. Diligent search in county and town records throws but little light upon his history. He, with his brother Nathaniel, was early unfortunate in business, and lost thereby a portion of the real estate inherited from his father. I can find no evidence of his marriage, his deeds being signed only by himself, and there is none on record later than June, 1719, when he released all claim upon the homestead on Fort Hill in favor of his sister Mary. He administered on his brother James's estate in 1754, then of Boston, and died Jan 25, 1760. He was for several years town assessor.*

(4) 17. MARY OLIVER, youngest daughter of Nathaniel and Elizabeth (Brattle) Oliver, occupied her father's mansion on Fort Hill, she having received it from her brothers by a deed of June, 1719. Her will, made June 3, 1763, proved March 28, 1764, gives property to her nephews Nathaniel and William Oliver of Chelsea, and to their father Nathaniel Oliver, Sr., nephew Edward-Brattle Oliver, nieces Prudence Delaplace, Mary Wendell and Ann Lowder, and appoints her nephew John (Jonathan) Lowder of Boston, barber, her executor, who, on 3 Sept. 1764, sold the real estate on Kilby and Milk Streets.

(12) 63. NATHANIEL OLIVER, eldest son of Nathaniel and Martha (Hobbs) Oliver, graduated at Harvard College in 1733, and was a lawyer, residing at Chelsea and Boston. He married June 25, 1741, Mercy, daughter of Hon. Jacob Wendell (see page 40). She died at Chelsea, Feb. 29, and was buried March 4, 1760, and he married a second wife, Sarah, daughter of Capt. Thomas (John?) Hill, about 1763.

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* His identity is established by the notice of his death in the Gazette of that week.

He seems to have been singularly unfortunate financially, for acre by acre his portion of the "fair estate" of Mr. Nicolas Paige passed from his hands into those of his creditors. He did not long survive his father, dying December 26, 1769.

The issue of Nathaniel and Mercy (Wendell) Oliver were:

78. Martha, b. (Feb.?) 18, 1742, married Jacob Wendell.
79. Nathaniel, b. Nov. 9, 1744, died June 11, 1750.
80. Daniel, b. April 4, 1753.
81. Nathaniel, b. July 7, 1765.

To the fate of this youngest son I have discovered no clue, save that March 30, 1784, Thomas Sherburn was appointed his guardian, he then being absent at sea, his brother Daniel standing as bondsman.

(12) 65. PETER OLIVER, third son of Nathaniel and Martha (Hobbs) Oliver, graduated at Harvard College in 1737. All that is known of him is that he died a sea-captain in the West Indies, and is asterized in the College Catalogue in 1754. Aug. 15, 1753, he, then calling himself "gentleman," of Boston, sold a portion of his interest in the Chelsea lands to William Story, and Oct. 4, 1755, his brothers and father sold his remaining interest, he then being styled "of Boston, mariner, deceased." June 8, 1754, administration was granted to Mary Oliver, widow of Peter, mariner, and the estate was afterwards declared insolvent. I presume that these two are one and the same. What became of the widow or children, if there were any, I have not discovered.

(12) 66. WILLIAM OLIVER, youngest child of Nathaniel and Martha (Hobbs) Oliver, graduated at Harvard College in 1739. He was a farmer, and lived at Chelsea, having married Jan. 6, 1742, Rebecca, daughter of John Sayle of Chelsea, and granddaughter of Hon. Penn Townsend. The larger portion of his

share in the Keayne estate was disposed of by him during his life time, at different periods. He died at Chelsea, Sept. 27, 1782, and was buried on the 29th. His widow died Jan. 18, 1801, at the age of 79 years, and was buried on the 21st.

The children of William and Rebecca (Sayle) Oliver, all born at Chelsea, were:

82. William, b. July 10, 1744.
83. Nathaniel, b. Sept. 27, 1746.
84. Rebecca, b. Jan. 11, 1748, m. Dec. 22, 1782, Edward Wait.
85. Ann-Townsend, b. June 3, 1755, mar. Oct. 31, 1771, Walter Perkins.
86. Sarah, b. April 17, 1757, died Nov. 1769.
87. Hepzibah, b. July 14, 1759, died Dec. 16, 1769.
88. John-Sayle, b. April 11, 1763, died Nov. 21, 1769.

(15) 75. Edward-Brattle Oliver, third child of Brattle and Anne (Gillam) Oliver, graduated at Harvard College in 1739, and settled in business in Boston as a baker. He married Aug. 8, 1745, Ann Hubbard, who died soon, leaving issue one son. His second wife was Esther, daughter of Alexander Parkman of Boston, "mast-maker," whom he married previous to Dec. 20, 1751, and by whom he had a large family of children. In April, 1747, he purchased real estate on Pleasant Street, and added to it by a further purchase of May following. He died April 3, 1797, leaving issue:

89. Hubbard, b. Oct. 5, 1745.
90. Alexander, who removed to New York State, and by wife Zeruiah had four daughters.
91. William, a physician, who married Polly ——, and removed from Massachusetts.
92. Edward, b. Oct. 1756.

93. Esther, mar. Hawes, and had issue.
94. Rebecca, b. about 1760, mar. Luprian, and died April 4, 1833, without issue.
95. Mary, mar. Aug. 16, 1791, John Baker, and had issue.
96. Elizabeth, m. Chas. Pierce of Portsmouth, and had issue.
97. Ebenezer, b. Jan. 29, 1770.

(63) 80. DANIEL OLIVER, third child of Nathaniel and Mercy (Wendell) Oliver, graduated at Dartmouth College in 1785, prepared for the ministry and was settled over church at Beverly. He removed to Boston in 1802, where he resided until 1838. He married Elizabeth, daughter of Thomas Kemble of Boston, and died at Roxbury, Sept. 14, 1840. His widow died at R., March 19, 1841. Their issue were:

98. Sarah, b. April 25, 1787, mar. Zebah Hayden, and died March 30, 1810.
99. Nathaniel, b. Jan. 21, 1789, died May 2, 1789.
100. Nathaniel-Kemble-Greenwood, b. Oct. 5, 1790, Harvard College 1809, mar. Ann T. Hunt, and d. May 2, 1832.
101. Hannah, b. May 3, 1792, mar. Lt. Wm. M. Caldwell, U. S. N., and 2d, Col. Elisha Jenkins, U. S. A.; she died May 16, 1853.
102. Elizabeth, b. Aug. 3, 1793, mar. Thomas Vinton, died March 15, 1835.
103. Mary, b. Sept. 19, 1795, married Dr. Amos A. Evans, U. S. N.
104. Abigail, b. June 22, 1797, died unmar. Feb. 1, 1859.
105. Thomas-Henry (name changed to Henry-Kemble), b. Nov. 24, 1800, Dartmouth and Harvard 1818, Adjutant General of Mass. 1844–48, Mayor of Lawrence 1859, Treasurer of Mass. 1861 to 1866. He mar. Sally, daughter of Samuel Cook of Salem, who d. at Salem, Jan. 24, 1866. Their issue were:

1. Samuel-Cook, b. June 10, 1826, U. S. Vols. 1861–65, mar. 1st, Sarah-Elizabeth Crosby, and 2d, Mary-Elizabeth, daughter of Gen. Joseph-A. Andrews.
2. Sarah-E., b. March 28, 1828, mar. Joseph-P. Battles.
3. Henry-K., b. Oct 26, 1829, H. C. 1852, M.D.
4. Maria-K.
5. Emily-K., mar. James-Olcott Brown, of Portland, son of Hon. John-B. Brown; he died Aug. 15, 1864.
6. Mary-Evans; and 7, Ellen-Wendell.

106. Margaret-Kemble, b. Sept. 28, 1803, married John-G. Brown, and 2d, John Dickinson.

(66) 82. WILLIAM OLIVER, eldest son of William and Rebecca (Sayle) Oliver, lived at Chelsea, "a victuallar." He married May 23, 1776, Susanna, daughter of Andrew Sigourney. She died May 17, 1791, aged 36 years, and he took for his second wife, Feb. 9, 1792, her sister Mary-Ann Sigourney. She died Nov. 17, 1802, aged 43 years; he died June 22, 1831.* Their issue were:

107. William-Pitt, b. April 10, 1777, d. July 15, 1818.
108. Nathaniel-Putnam, b. Oct. 7, 1778, d. Oct. 8, 1779.
109. Nathaniel-Putnam, b. Feb. 15, 1780, d. July 21, 1781.
110. Joanna-Tilestone, b. May 18, 1782, d. unmar. Oct. 12, 1865.

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* This family must not be confounded with that of William Oliver of Chelsea, who had wife Mary. He came from Frankfort to Chelsea, and married July 25, 1771, Mary Pratt of C. (his brother, Joseph Oliver, being married April 18, 1771, to Abigail Brintnall of C.). The issue of this William and Mary were Polly, born April 3, 1772; William, born Nov. 1, 1774; John, born July 15, 1779; Benjamin-Pratt, born July 15, 1782; Samuel, born August 20, 1785; James, born Oct. 24, 1787; David, born April 13, 1793.

111. Daniel-Sigourney, b. April 23, 1785, d. Nov. 7, 1847.
112. Thomas-Tilestone, b. June 2, 1787, d. Aug. 9, 1807.
113. Susanna-Sigourney, b. June 15, 1793, m. Dec. 23, 1819, William Hall, of Chelsea.
114. Sarah-Sigourney, b. Nov. 16, 1794, d. Aug. 5, 1814.
115. Jane-Sigourney, b. March 15, 1796, mar. April 10, 1823, —— Currier, of Chelsea.
116. John, b. June 25, 1797, d. May 11, 1837.
117. Mary-Ann-Brimer, b. Feb. 27, 1799, d. July 17, 1799.
118. George-Washington, b. April 25, 1800.

(66) 83. NATHANIEL OLIVER, second son of William and Rebecca (Sayle) Oliver, was a physician, and lived at Marblehead and Danvers. He married Elizabeth Putnam of Danvers, and died June 8, 1795, having had one child that died young.

(75) 89. HUBBARD OLIVER, brazier, son of Edward-Brattle and Ann (Hubbard) Oliver, married Aug. 2, 1769, Rebecca, daughter of Gamaliel and Abigail* (Bleigh) Wallis. She was born Sept. 16, 1745, and died at Salem, July 11, 1836, to which place he had early removed, and where he died Feb. 15, 1819. Their issue were:

119. Hubbard, b. Jan. 14, 1771.
120. Gamaliel-Wallis, b. Feb. 14, 1772.
121. Rebecca, b. March 27, 1774, married June 18, 1797, Stephen Thayer. He died March 16, 1813. She died Aug. 22, 1866.

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* Abigail Bleigh was born Oct. 4, 1712, the daughter of Samuel. March 15, 1773, Hubbard Oliver and wife Rebecca, together with Abigail Wallis, spinster, sold real estate on Bishop's Lane, Boston, to Ambrose Vincent, which property was left by their grandfather, Samuel Bleigh, to his daughters Abigail Wallis, deceased, and Ann Vincent.

122. Edward-Brattle, b. Feb. 22, 1777.
123. William-Wait, b. Dec. 10, 1778.
124. Ann-Hubbard, b. Feb. 2, 1781, mar. Jan. 18, 1801, John-P. Osborn. He was born at Danvers Feb. 26, 1775, died at Charlestown Dec. 29, 1821. She died Oct. 29, 1862.
125. Sarah-Swanton, b. Jan. 4, 1783, died unm. Nov. 1864.

(75) 92. EDWARD OLIVER, son of Edward-Brattle and Esther (Parkman) Oliver, married Sept. 13, 1787, Ann Blake. He died Feb. 24, 1830, and she died Oct. 17, 1839.

Their issue was an only son:

126. Henry-Jackson, b. July 27, 1788.

(75) 97. EBENEZER OLIVER, son of Edward-Brattle and Esther (Parkman) Oliver, of Boston, boat-builder, married Sept. 8, 1793, Elizabeth Barber, born March 6, 1774. He died May 5, 1833, and his widow died May 19, 1849. Their issue were:

127. Eben, b. June 4, 1794, died off coast of Sumatra, Jan, 19, 1820.
128. William, b. Sept. 17, 1795, died July 27, 1797.
129. Elizabeth-Parker, b. April 5, 1798, residence South Reading.
130. Mary-Bentley, b. Sept. 20, 1800, mar. March 6, 1825, George Carpenter, of Boston, and has issue.
131. Esther-Parkman, b. Dec. 30, 1802, mar. June 9, 1823, Samuel Stearns, of Boston, and died July 19, 1832.
132. William-Bentley, b. Dec. 26, 1805, mar. Sept. 1825, Mary-Ann-P. Young, and died at Woburn July 26, 1855, leaving issue.
133. Alexander, b. and died Dec. 23, 1814.

134. Edward, b. June 21, 1817, name changed to Eben; mar. June 4, 1840, Anna-Therese, b. Sept. 2, 1817, daughter of Francis Blacker, and has issue, all born at Boston:

1. Eben-Francis, b. April 22, 1843.
2. Anna-Therese, b. May 28, 1848.
3. Ellen-Tree, b. May 27, 1854.

(89) 119. HUBBARD OLIVER, eldest son of Hubbard and Rebecca (Wallis) Oliver, mar. March 15, 1807, Eliza Burt, of Boston. He resided in Boston, where he died Nov. 29, 1847. His widow died Dec. 28, 1848. Their issue were:

1. Eliza-Ann, b. Sept. 17, 1808.
2. Mary-Clark, b. March 29, 1810.
3. Hubbard, b. April 13, 1812, residence Cambridge.
4. Matilda, b. Aug. 26, 1815.
5. Theodore, b. Aug. 15, 1818, d. unm. May 9, 1839.

(89) 120. GAMALIEL-WALLIS OLIVER, second son of Hubbard and Rebecca (Wallis) Oliver, settled at Lynn, and married Oct. 28. 1807, Charlotte Breed. He died Jan. 20, 1849, at Lynn, and she died Jan. 4, 1862. Their issue were:

1. William-Breed, b. Aug. 8, 1808.
2. James-Purington, b. Aug. 15, 1810.
3. Theodate-B. b. Feb. 23, 1813, died unmar. Dec. 31, 1832.

(89) 122. EDWARD-BRATTLE OLIVER, third son of Hubbard and Rebecca (Wallis) Oliver, married Feb. 6, 1803, his cousin Grace Swanton, born at Boston Jan. 24, 1775. He died at Boston, Oct. 3, 1828. His widow died at Worcester, July 1, 1860.

Their issue were:

1. Edward-Hubbard, b. May 6, 1804.
2. Sarah-Swanton, b. Jan. 10, 1806.
3. William-Henry, b. Feb. 8, 1808.
4. Charles-Wallis, b. March 29, 1810.
5. James-Lincoln, b. Oct. 13, 1812.
6. Frances-Ann, b. June 26, 1815.
7. Francis-Parkman, b. Feb. 1, 1818.

(89) 123. WILLIAM-WAIT OLIVER, fourth son of Hubbard and Rebecca (Wallis) Oliver, married Oct. 31, 1805, Sarah Gardner, born July 12, 1785, and settled at Salem, for many years Collector at the Custom House in that city, and where he still resides. His wife died March 29, 1838.

Their issue were:

1. William Gardner, b. July 13, 1809, died at sea March 21, 1828.
2. Hannah-Newhall, b. Sept. 9, 1813, mar. Nov. 10, 1835, John-Buttolph Knight, and died at Salem Jan. 17, 1846. He died June 7, the same year, leaving issue.

(92) 126. HENRY-JACKSON OLIVER, only child of Edward and Ann (Blake) Oliver, married Oct. 28, 1810, Sarah-Holmes Barnes. He resided at Boston and Roxbury, and died Sept. 5, 1847. In the year 1834 he was a member of the Common Council of the City of Boston from Ward 1. Their issue were:

1. Sarah-Ann, mar. Samuel-N. Dickinson, of Boston.
2. Henry-Jackson, who resides, in 1867, at Pepperell.
3. Edward-Henry, died in early childhood.
4. John-Eliot, died in childhood.
5. James Lloyd, b. 1820, and in 1867 resides at San Francisco, Cal., unmarried.

6. Edward-Brattle, b. July 19, 1822, mar. Aug. 13, 1845, Mary-Louise, b. Jan. 22, 1824, daughter of Joseph Merrill, of Dracut. He is a musician by profession, resident of Boston, and has had issue one child, Edward-Merrill, b. July 14, 1846, died March 8, 1849.
7. Elizabeth-Barnes, died in childhood.

THE BRATTLE-EYRE BRANCH.

DESCENDANTS OF JOHN AND KATHERINE (BRATTLE) EYRE.

(6) 28. KATHERINE EYRE, daughter of Hon. John and Katherine (Brattle) Eyre, married Nov. 5, 1713, David Jeffries. He was son of David and Elizabeth (Usher), born June 15, 1690, and was lost with the vessel Amity near Dungeness, Sept. 13, 1716.

She married February 6, 1718–19, Capt. Oliver Noyes, Esq., physician of Boston. He was a son of Ensign John Noyes, graduated at Harvard 1695, member of the Artillery Co. 1699, and died March 16, 1720–1,* "being taken very suddenly and awfully." His widow was appointed administratrix, April 4, 1721. In the inventory of his estate are named "a negro boy, £45," "sloop Augusta, £110," "house and land in Corn Market, £1100," "brick ware house in Corn Court, £300," a ware house on Long Wharf, £600, house and land "in street leading to Fort Hill," £330, land and stone building "to Northward of Mr. Paine, £1600, one half Roanoke Island, N. C., cost £240, land at Stratford River, Ct., cost £50, 196th part of interest in Plymouth Patent, and a farm at Bedford, the whole property footing up £17193.12.5. In addition, there was considerable real estate of value unknown, including an interest in grist and saw-mills at Augusta and Brunswick, harbor and farm at Saggadehoc, one thousand acres "near Thoyt's Point," two farms "on Merry-meeting Bay," and a stone fort at Augusta. The estate was divided April 8, 1724, between the widow, and children Anna (wife of Azor Gale), Sarah, Belcher, and Oliver.

Katherine Noyes died May 6, 1760, having borne to each husband one child:

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* By a former wife, Anna, he had issue: "Anna, b. April 17, 1704; Oliver, b. July 4, 1705; Oliver, b. Sept. 1, 1707; Belcher, b. Oct. 10, 1709; Sarah, b. Oct. 21, 1710; John, b. Aug. 12, 1713; John, b. Aug. 8, 1718."

135. David Jeffries, born Oct. 23, 1714.
136. Oliver Noyes, born Dec. 8, 1720.

(6) 29. BETHIA EYRE, daughter of John and Katherine (Brattle) Eyre, married March 18, 1713–14, Hon. John Walley, of Boston, born Sept. 11, 1691, son of Major John. He died March 6, 1745. His estate was appraised June 18, 1745, at £8649.6.11. It included a pew in the Old South, mansion house, bake house, and ware house in Boston, and house and farm at Roxbury. His widow died July 24, 1742. Their issue, all born in Boston, were:

137. John, b. Oct. 6, 1716.
138. Katherine,* b. Oct. 5, 1719, d. at Ipswich, unmarried, Dec. 5, 1782.
139. Sarah, b. Jan. 18, 1720–1, died young.
140. Sarah, b. Nov. 8, 1722, died at Ipswich, unmarried, May 30, 1748.
141. Bethia, b. March 3, 1723–4, died at Ipswich, unmarried, Jan. 21, 1748.
142. Thomas, b. Nov. 1, 1725.
143. William, bapt. June 29, 1729, died young.
144. Elizabeth, b. April 28, 1731, died at Boston, unmarried, Aug. 31, 1754.
145. Mary, b. Feb. 11, 1732–3, d. at Ipswich Nov. 20, 1786.

(6) 32. JOHN EYRE, the youngest child of John and Katherine (Brattle) Eyre, graduated at Harvard College in the class of 1718; member of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company the same year. He soon settled in Boston as a merchant, and apparently lived on Queen Street, adjacent to the Prison, as his mother conveyed to him, Oct. 21, 1724, land adjoining his own residence there. Feb. 1, 1725–6, he with his wife Anne, widow

* Not John, as erroneously entered in Boston Records.

Katherine Noyes, John Walley, shopkeeper, and Bethiah his wife, sold for £700 to Jacob Wendell, warehouses and wharf privileges at the foot of King (State) Street, lately the property of their mother, Katherine Winthrop. March 7, of the same year, the General Court granted to him a strip of land off of the Prison estate for a passage-way. The same month, he with his wife conveyed to his sister Katherine Noyes their interest in the lands, dwelling-house, brewery, etc., lately their mother's. Dec. 23, 1728, he mortgaged his estate on Queen Street to Jacob Wendell, and Feb. 20, 1732–3, gave a second mortgage for the same. He probably soon after removed to Portsmouth, N. H., where he was living in August of 1741, when he, with his wife, released the Boston estate to Henry Deering. He died, according to the College Triennial, in 1753. One child was born in Boston, of whom no further information has been obtained.*

146. John, b. Sept. 14, 1723.

(28) 135. David Jeffries, only child of David and Katherine (Eyre), graduated at Harvard 1732, and settled at Boston as a merchant. He became a member of the Old South Church, March 1, 1740, and was long one of its Deacons. He was thrice married: first to his cousin Sarah Jaffray, Oct. 21, 1741. She was born March 25, 1722, and died July 11, 1753; second, to Deboiah (Deborah), daughter of Byfield Lyde, the Loyalist graduate of 1723; third, to Sarah Roades, Nov. 2, 1784. He was Town Treasurer of Boston from 1750 to 1781, and County Treasurer in 1778. He died at Boston, 1785. His will was dated August 8, 1785, and was presented for probate Jan. 3, following. By it he left to his wife Sarah all that she brought him at their

* Portsmouth town records of about this period have been destroyed by fire, and the church records for the same interval are lost. A marriage record, however, has been found of "John Ayers and Anne Sherburn," Nov. 1, 1722, but I have not been able to determine whether these are the same or not.

marriage, and one hundred acres of land at Kennebeck, or $200. To his only son Dr. John Jeffries of London, he left his "silver tankard," and three hundred acres of land at Kennebeck, "in full consideration of my occupying the house left him by his uncle John Jeffries," in the which house his uncle had died. Property was also left to his two sons-in-law, Rev. Joseph Eckley, pastor of the South Church, and John Eddy of Newton. As no inheritance had fallen to his daughters Sarah Eckley and Deborah, from the estate of their grandfather Lyde, to each of them he gave one hundred acres at Kennebeck. To his six grandchildren, John and Anna Jeffries, Gibbs-Wadsworth and Sarah-Jeffry Eddy, Joseph and Thomas-Jeffries Eckley, he left land at Kennebeck. To the town of Boston he gave two hundred acres of his eastern land, the interest of the proceeds if sold — or if retained, the income from the rents — to be devoted by the Overseers of the Poor, "for the purchase of tea, coffee, chocolate and sugar, for the refreshment of persons who shall be in the Alms House." The residue of the estate was to be divided between his five children, Dr. John Jeffries, Katherine Jeffries, Ann Eddy, Deborah Jeffries and Sarah Eckley.

His issue by first wife Sarah were:

147. John, b. July 10, 1742, died Nov. 6, 1743.
148. David, b. Sept. 6, 1743, died young.
149. John, b. Feb. 5, 1744–5.
150. George, b. July 13, died July 15, 1746.
151. Catherine, b. April 5, 1748, died about 1825, unmar.
152. Ann, b. Nov. 8, 1749, mar. Oct. 22, 1780, John Eddy of Newton, and had issue Gibbs-Wadsworth, b. Aug. 28, 1783; Sarah-Jeffries, and John b. March 5, 1787.
153. Sarah, b. June 5, 1751, died Oct. 24, 1753.
154. Elizabeth, b. May 27, died May 31, 1752.
155. Daughter, still-born, June 11, 1753.

Issue by second wife Deborah were:

156. Deborah, b. June 10, 1756, d. about 1810, unm.
157. Andrew-Belcher, b. July 31, 1757, died young.
158. Sarah, b. Nov. 13, 1761, m. Rev. Joseph Eckley, D.D. of Boston. He was born at London, Oct. 22, 1750, graduated at Princeton College, New Jersey, in 1772, ordained minister over the Old South Church, Boston, and died in that city, April 30, 1811, His widow died in 1825. Their issue were:

1. Joseph, bapt. April 27, 1783, died unmarried at Marblehead, July 4, 1861.

2. Thomas-Jeffries, bapt. Jan. 9, 1785, graduated at Harvard College in 1804, married June 12, 1820, Julia-Ann Jeffries (p. 76), and died in 1846, leaving issue Julia, Sarah-Augusta who married Prof. Henry Eustis, Ann-Amory, and Eliza-Parkman who married Thomas Rhett of South Carolina.

3. David, bapt. July 23, 1786, married Oct. 22, 1818, Caroline, daughter of Jonathan Amory, and died Feb. 18, 1848. His widow died June 1, 1866, having had issue, Joseph-Stiles, David, John, Henry, William, Edward, Frances, and Arthur-Amory.

4. John, bapt. Oct. 4, 1789, died young.

5. John, bapt. Aug. 10, 1794, died young.

(28) 136. Oliver Noyes, the only child of Dr. Oliver and Katherine (Eyre) Noyes, was living with wife Ann in 1760–4, and at the latter date sold by his half-brother Jeffries, as attorney, a piece of real estate on Oliver Street, Boston. I can find no later account of him. Perhaps he went to the eastward, where his father left large possessions, or possibly to Roanoke Island, N. C. There is recorded the birth of one child, a daughter, stillborn, July 11, 1753.

(29) 137. JOHN WALLEY, the eldest son of Hon. John and Bethia (Eyre) Walley, graduated at Harvard in 1734; was for some time private Secretary to the Governor, and Clerk of Supreme Court before 1740. He afterwards turned his attention to the ministry, preaching at Portsmouth, N. H. In Jan., 1747, he accepted an invitation to preach at Ipswich, and after remaining there for eight months, was ordained over a new parish which had been formed by a division from the old. At his own request he was dismissed Feb. 22, 1764. In April, 1773, he received a call from the church at Bolton, and ministered there until 1783, when he removed to Roxbury, and there died March 2, 1784. He had married Oct. 20, 1748, Elizabeth, daughter of Daniel and Elizabeth Appleton. She died at Roxbury about 1800, having borne him no issue.

(29) 142. THOMAS WALLEY, merchant of Boston, the only child of Hon. John and Bethia (Eyre) Walley that had issue, married Dec. 29, 1748, Mary, daughter of Samuel Kneeland. She died Nov. 1, 1766, aged 36, having borne him six children, only one, however, the eldest, living to maturity. He married Dec. 18, 1767, Sarah, daughter of Jacob and Elizabeth (Mason) Hurd. She was born Jan 24, 1738, and died April 16, 1799. He died Sept. 5, 1806. His issue were:

159.	Mary,	b. June 12, 1749, mar. J. Langdon.
160.	Thomas,	b. Sept. 2, 1768.
161.	John,	b. Sept. 28, 1769, and died young.
162.	Sarah,	b. Mar. 25, 1772, m. Hon. John Phillips.
163.	John,	b. Dec. 1, 1773, died young.
164.	Charles,	b. Mar. 6, 1775.
165.	Samuel-Hall,	b. April 12, 1778.

(135) 149. JOHN JEFFRIES, the only child of David and Sarah (Jaffray) that had issue, graduated at Harvard College in

1763, studied medicine, and received a degree of Doctor of Medicine from Aberdeen in 1769, and from Harvard in 1819. In 1771 he was appointed to a surgeon's position on board a British ship of the line then stationed in Boston harbor, where he continued until June 30, 1774. At the breaking out of the Revolution he espoused the royal cause, and was one of the surgeons in attendance on the British forces at the battle of Bunker's Hill. At the evacuation of Boston in 1776, he sailed with the army to Halifax, and May 24 of that year was made Surgeon-General of the Army in Nova Scotia. August 21, 1778, he received the additional appointment of Purveyor-General of Hospitals, and December following of Apothecary-General. In 1779 he went to England, where he immediately received the appointment of Surgeon-Major of the Forces in America, and was ordered to Charleston and Savannah. He returned to England in 1780, and established himself as physician and surgeon at London. In the month of January, 1785, he acquired quite a notoriety by crossing the British Channel to France in a balloon. He returned to Boston in the year 1790, and continued in the practice of his profession, in which he had earned a high reputation, until his death, Sept. 16, 1819. He married, about 1770, Sarah Rhoades, who died in England, Jan. 1780, leaving three children. He married second, Sept. 8, 1787, Hannah, daughter of William and Hannah Hunt. She was born Nov. 4, 1764, and died at South Boston, Sept. 27, 1835.

The issue of Dr. John Jeffries were:

166. John, b. Dec. 15, 1772, died same month.
167. John, b. Jan. 17, 1774, died at Paris, unmar. Sept. 5, 1796.
168. Ann, b. Aug, 27, 1775, m. Dr. Brown, and died at Dorchester, April 29, 1807, leaving issue two daughters.
169. Harriet-Maria, b. Dec. 1788, died May 6, 1789.

170. George-Jaffrey, b. Dec. 21, 1789, married January 18, 1814, Clementina Matilda Wethered, of Baltimore, Md., and had issue, Matilda, b. 1815, d. at Boston, Dec. 1830, and Mary-Wethered, who married Capt. Field, U. S. A. He early changed his name to Jaffrey, and became thereby the inheritor of a large property at Portsmouth, N. H., from his great uncle George Jaffrey. He died May 4, 1856.
171. Robinson-Ardesoif, b. Jan. 7, 1791, died Feb. 24, 1796.
172. Edward, b. Feb. 13, 1792, died June 9, 1793.
173. Harriet-Maria, b. Feb. 29, 1793, died Feb. 20, 1796.
174. Eyre-Massey, b. Sep. 11, 1794, died at Santa-Martha, Columbia, July 6, 1826.
175. John, b. March 23, 1796; graduated at Harvard College 1815, Doctor of Medicine 1819, and settled as physician in Boston. He married Nov. 8, 1820, Ann-Geyer, daughter of Rufus-G. Amory, and had
    1. Catherine-Amory, b. Oct. 10, 1821.
    2. John, b. Dec. 30, 1823, mar. May 8, 1851, Annie-Lloyd Greene.
    3. Ann-McLean, b. March 15, 1826.
    4. Sarah-Augusta, b. July 17, 1828, mar. April 28, 1851, Charles-L. Andrews.
    5. George-Jaffrey, b. Dec. 23, 1830, died Sept. 28, 1853.
    6. Benjamin-Joy, b. March 26, 1833, H. C. 1854, M.D.
    7. Edward-Payson, b. Aug. 1, 1835, H. C. 1856.
    8. Henry-Upham, b. Dec. 7, 1840, H. C. 1862.
176. Catherine-Matilda, b. May 23, 1797, mar. July 3, 1822, Charles-Chauncy Haven, of Trenton, N. J.
177. Harriet-Maria, b. June 18, died June 19, 1798.
178. Julia-Ann, b. Nov. 15, 1800, m. Thomas-Jeffries Eckley (p. 73).

179. Sarah-Augusta, b. June 21, 1804, died unmarried, June 14, 1830.

(142) 160. THOMAS WALLEY, the eldest son of Thomas and Sarah (Hurd) Walley, married July 31, 1798, at Dedham, Mary-Elizabeth, daughter of James Ferol of Dedham (but formerly a planter of Martinique). He resided at Brookline and Dedham, where all his children were born. He died August 2, 1848, and his wife died July 29, 1842, having had issue six sons and six daughters.

(142) 162. SARAH WALLEY, daughter of Thomas and Sarah (Hurd) Walley, married Dec. 18, 1794, Hon. John Phillips, lawyer, of Boston, the son of William and Margaret (Wendell) Phillips (p. 40).

He was born Nov. 26, 1770, graduated at Harvard College in 1788, appointed Judge of the Court of Common Pleas in 1809, President of the Massachusetts Senate, and the first Mayor of Boston in 1822; died May 29, 1823. His widow died Nov. 4, 1845. Their issue were:

180. Thomas-Walley, b. Jan. 16, 1797, graduated at Harvard College in 1814, mar. Ann-S. Dunn, and was for many years Clerk of the Municipal Court of Boston. He died Sept. 8, 1859.

181. Sarah-Hurd, b. April 24, 1799, mar. first, Francis Jenks (H. C. 1817, died 1832); and second, Alonzo Gray, author of "Elements of Chemistry."

182. Samuel-Phillips, b. Feb. 6, 1801, died Feb. 20, 1817.

183. Margaret-Wendell, b. Nov. 29, 1802, mar. Edward Reynolds, M.D. (H. C. 1811), the well-known physician of Boston.

184. Miriam, b. Nov. 20, 1805, mar. Rev. George W. Blagden (Y. C. 1823), for many years the minister of the Old South Church of Boston.

185. John-Charles, b. Nov. 15, 1807, graduated at Harvard College in 1826, clergyman, mar. Hannah Welch.

186. George-William, b. Jan. 3, 1810, graduated at Harvard College in 1829.

187. Wendell, b. Nov. 29, 1811, graduated at Harvard College in 1831, and received Degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1834. He married Ann Greene, and settled in Boston as a lawyer, having a wide reputation as "a fine classical scholar, an eloquent orator and an active philanthropist."*

188. Grenville-Tudor, b. Aug. 14, 1816, graduated at Harvard College in 1836, died unm. May 25, 1863.

(142) 164. CHARLES WALLEY, son of Thomas and Sarah (Hurd) Walley, married his cousin Catherine Hurd, and died 1839–40. Issue one daughter:

189. Catherine, died unm. at Walpole, N. H., May 1, 1840.

(142) 165. SAMUEL-HALL WALLEY, youngest son of Thomas and Sarah (Hurd) Walley, merchant of Boston, married Jan 4, 1803, Miriam, born June 10, 1779, daughter of William and Miriam (Mason) Phillips. He died July 25, 1850, his wife having died March 26, 1827. Their issue were three sons, of whom two died in infancy, and three daughters. The surviving son, Samuel-Hurd Walley, lawyer of Boston, born Aug. 31, 1805, graduated at Harvard College in 1826, Representative to Congress in 1854 and 1855, married Mehetabel-Sumner, daughter of Hon. I. C. Bates, of Northampton. She died Dec. 2, 1853, and he married January 1, 1855, Annie-Gray, daughter of Prince Hawes, Esq., of Boston.

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* Gen. Reg., p. 316.

ADDENDA.

NOTE A, page 1. It is a question whether the name of EBENEZER BRATTLE should not properly be Ebenezer *Battle*, who was of Boston at this time. The name of Battle has always been, in this country, at least, totally distinct from that of Brattle.

NOTE B, page 2. In Bridgman's King's Chapel Epitaphs it is stated that Thomas Brattle came, probably, from Goodhurst, England, in 1638. If this date is correct, he could have been only about fourteen years of age at the time of his arrival here — a fact which although not unlikely, leads us, at any rate, to speculate upon the causes which could have induced a youth of so tender an age to emigrate to an almost unknown country without the protection of his parents. We have discovered no mention whatever of any relations upon this or the other side of the Atlantic, and if he came here under the care of any such, the fact is now lost. His immense property at the time of his death, as well as his respectable marriage connection, would seem to preclude the idea that he came here in a subordinate capacity, for wealth was not as readily accumulated then as now; and our forefathers, moreover, held social and family rank to be matters of the first importance in forming matrimonial alliances.

NOTE C, page 2. In Drake's History of Boston, there is an engraving of another coat-of-arms for the Brattle family, differing totally from that used by the family in New England. It represents a hog, gules, on field, or, crest a battle axe surrounded by wreath.

NOTE D, page 3. "April, 1682, Captain Thomas Brattle dies this year in the early part of April. He was Moderator of the town meeting on the twelfth of March, to which office he had been elected in 1681, and in 1682 also; he had served many years as a Selectman, and was an active and efficient officer in the late Indian war. In May, 1676, he surprised a company of Indians near Rehoboth, 'busie in fishing in a river thereabouts,' and killed eleven or twelve of them, losing but one of his own men. He commanded a party of horsemen, and not long after, with Moseley's company and a few others, he captured one hundred and fifty more."*

NOTE E, p. 8. "21° (May 21st). The College Treasurer was inter'd at Boston *sub monumento Patris, matrisque, avique ex parte (ut aiunt) certiori: senatu, Populoque Academico præeunte fe[illegible]trû.*" The Brattle tomb is in the King's Chapel Burial Ground, in the northerly part of the enclosure, very near the wall of the Probate Office. June 22, 1813, Mrs. Katherine Wendell sold the tomb to John Driscoll for one hundred dollars. July 28, 1828, Samuel D. Colburn of Grafton sold it to David Child of Groton, who in turn sold it, Jan. 8, 1829, to Cornelius Mahoney, by whom it was sold, Feb. 1829, to Martin Smith of Boston, whose name is deeply inscribed upon the slab. June 23, 1849, it was conveyed to Franklin Smith, the present owner. The free-stone slab which covers it is now so worn by time and weather, that the inscription is nearly obliterated, and in a very few years it will doubtless be illegible. Fourteen years ago, in 1853, Bridgman failed to make out the last few lines, and gives as the legible portion the following:

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* Drake, 449.

Here lyes the body of
MRS. ELIZABETH BRATTLE,
Dyed Novembe[r] 9th,
1682.
Anno Ætatis 44.

Here Lyes the Body of
MAJ[R] THOMAS BRATTLE,
who dyed April the 5th,
1683,
Anna Ætatis 60.

Here lyes the Body of
MRS. BETHIAH PARSON,
who dyed July the 4th,
1690,
Anno Ætatis 24.

Here lyes the body of
THOMAS BRATTLE, ESQ.
one of her Majesties
Justices for the County of Suffolk,
& Treasurer of Harvard College,
who died May the 8th,
1713,
Anno Ætatis 55.

NOTE F, p. 8. It has been generally accepted as a fact that the Treasurer Brattle was never married; but Dr. Allen, in his Biographical Dictionary, asserts that he was a brother-in-law of Mr. Pemberton, with what authority I am at a loss to discover.

NOTE G, pp. 8, 17. The wills of both the elder Brattles as here given, are careful copies of the original documents, now in existence upon file at the Probate Courts. The recorded copies differ in some respects, a few omissions having been inadvertently made in each.

NOTE H, p. 24. The seal upon this will is almost destroyed. Enough remains, however, to enable us to recognize the family arms.

NOTE I, p. 44. The house bequeathed to Lucy Windship stands as it did at that time, on the northerly side of Brattle Street, the second building west of the Washington School-house. The tenement itself was purchased by Thomas Brattle of one Tracy, and removed from its original site on Garden Street to its present position.

NOTE J, p. 58. Since the above was printed, I have found in the Old South Records, baptisms of children of Jonathan and Ann Lowder, as follows: Benjamin, Jan. 30, 1736–7; Abigail, March 15, 1737–8; Jonathan, Dec. 23, 1739; Ann, Nov. 22, 1741; Mary, August 7, 1743; William, Feb. 17, 1744–5.

NOTE K, p. 72. Gibbs-Wadsworth Eddy, the eldest child of John and Ann (Jeffries) Eddy, married a Ruggles and died June 11, 1805, aged 22 years. A fine portrait of him is now in the possession of his nephew, John Homer Dix, M.D., of Boston.

Sarah-Jeffries, the second child of John and Ann Eddy, born 1785–6, married April 16, 1813, John Dix, graduate of Harvard in 1801, physician of Boston, and afterwards surgeon in U. S. Navy. He died on duty off the coast of Africa, April 16, 1828. His widow died March 10, 1852. Their issue was one child, the present John Homer Dix, M.D., Harvard College 1833, oculist of Boston.

John, the youngest child of John and Ann Eddy, was drowned in Boston harbor, May 1, 1805. John Eddy, the father, graduated at Harvard College in 1765, and died at Newton, August 31, 1787, aged 42 years. Mrs. Eddy died March 23, 1793, aged 44 years.

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